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EGMORE,
15*th March* 1929.

A. V. VENKATARAMA AYYAR,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK, 1706.

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FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 29.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1705–06*——

The Consultation and Diary Booke of Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President &c^{a}. Council their Proceedings, and Transactions in the Affairs of the R^{t}. Honble. United English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &c. Begun p^{mo}. January 1705–1706.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President. [Tuesday] p^{mo}.]
Matt. Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

We having duely considered of the Paper delivered us in Council by Messrs. Fraser and Wright last Consultation day, in which they desire our advise relating to the Payment of what owing by the new Company to their Merchants of Metchlepatam and Maddapollam, wherein they mention they had compared the Accounts with their Generall Bookes, which agreed to [acc^{t}] matter, but by all the wayes and Argument they cou'd use they can't perswade them to abate anything of y^{e}. Principal or Interest, of which they formerly gave us great hopes wch. induced us to give our opinions as we did in our Consultation of the 5th. of October, but upon this our second consideration we think it not adviseable for Messrs. Fraser and Wright to proceed any farther in the Payment of that Debt, more then what money they have in their Hands of the New Companys for Goods sold, till the Companys farther pleasure be known therein, and this our advise we give for the reasons following.

That when M^{r}. Tillard was here, who applyed himself severall times to the Governour and Council for their advise in that Affair, and in a Paper he delivered us dated the primo February last, wherein he Acquainted us he was offered to be Lent a considerable sūm of money on his Bills on the New Company at 10^{s} and 6^{d} ℘ Pagoda to pay off their Merch^{ts}. which in our Consultation of that dayes date (signed likewise by Messrs. Fraser and Wright) we advised him to accept of it, but in regard that the Bonds produced before us by their Merchants were given in such manner as the like was never seen, Principall and Interest being in Figures, and signed by their President &ca unto which was affixed the Companys Seal, and for some expressions that fell from the Merchants when before us, besides M^{r}. Tillard saying that he himself beleived that the Company did not expect their Debt at Metchlepatam to be near so considerable as it was, we therefore advised him to leave what is now unpay'd till the Company were thorowly

informed of the circumstances of that settlement not knowing but that they might order some Scrutinys to be made into the Management thereof for other wayes he could have had at that time money enough to have pay'd good part of the remainder, if not all of it, and we likewise advised him to go home on the Dutchess, and carry all Bookes and Papers with him, that so they may clearly see how the Debt arrised, and now by the Letter we received by the Fleet ffrigat from the Honble. Directors for the New Companys Affairs, wherein they write that the Court of Mannagers had given leave for Messrs. Fraser and Wright to go to Metchlepatam, and there Joine with and assist M^r^. William Tillard in adjusting their Acco^t^. on the Coast of Choromandell, and draw Bills upon them for what they found justly due, if any, and that we the Governour and Council will befriend them in procuring money on their Bills of Exchange in case they should have occasion, by which it plainly appears that when they wrott that Letter, they knew little or nothing of their great Debt on this Coast, or they would never have wrott so doubtfully of it, and 'tis very probable that upon M^r^. Tillards arrivall in England, and the Company having perused our Consultations, they will for the reasons therein mentioned expect that no considerable part of the Debt remaining be pay'd till their farther orders, which we may depend on they will send by next shipping. Ordered that y^e^. Secretary gives Copy of the foregoing to Mess^r^. Fraser and Wright.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 2^D^

THOMAS PITT ESQ^r^. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

No Europe Ships being arrived yet from Bengall wch. makes us apprehensive that they will be too late to fetch the Bales from Fort S^t^. David, besides it may be dangerous for one of those Ships to go thither not knowing but French Ships may fall in, which will be this month if they have any in these parts, for which reason 'tis Agreed we order the Deputy Govr. and Council to freight hither what Bales they can on Vessells that are now there, as likewise on the Samuel a Vessell that we send hence, on which the Warehousekeeper is to load what Packing stuff he can spare or procure, and before they are Dispatch'd to be well assured no French Ships are in Pollicherry road.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagodas be advanced to M^r^. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison Painting of Callicoes having been brought to great perfection in this Place, but from the discouragement those Goods meet with in England being prohibited to be imported, that Art has much dwindled away here, and many of that Trade left us for want of an Employ but the Company by their last Generall Letter, seeming desirous that it should be preserved and incouraged, and in order thereto have directed to have some of those Goods sent them and the Warehousekeeper acquainting us that there is Three Hundred Peices of Fine Moorees fitt for that purpose, 'Tis agreed they be putt to Painting to the best workmen in that science.

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Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced to Paulo &c. Washers towards curing the Rt. Honble. Companys Cloth.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 21st. Instant now read.

The Petition of Kisna and Boochee Measurers now read which is as Entered after this Consultation which is deferred to our next meeting when the Secretary is ordered to lay before us what done formerly therein.

Mr. William Fraser Accomptant does now read the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of Novr. last.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M.: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED ENGLISH
EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL
AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL.

The Humble Petition of Major Kisna and Boochee
Most humbly Sheweth.

Whereas your Petitioners did frequently for two years past importune your Honr. &ca. for the Measurers of Grains Employ, which of late your Honr. &c. were pleased to grant 'em, and allow them for every Pagodas worth of Paddy one eighth part of a measure, which amounts to Two measures and a half ℔ Garse, to go through with wch. your Petitioners are obliged to employ Thirty People, which is such a vast Charge upon 'em that they are hardly able to sustain by it, all which they have often laid before your Honour &c. for your Serious Consideration.

Whereas your Petitioners were formerly allowed four fanams ℔ Garse both from the Buyer and Seller, and that they are considerably Indebted in Town, do humbly implore your Honour &c. that the said allowance may again be restored to 'em which will enable yor. Petitioners to pay Two hundred Pagods. ℔ Annum to the Honble. Compa. and likewise to save somewhat to maintain themselves and Family, and to clear their aforesaid Debt.

And as in duty bound shall ever
Pray &c.

Ship Samuel John Cornelius Master sail'd out of this road for Fort St. David by whom sent a Packet to the Depy: Governour and Council there dated this day. 2d

Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Lettr. from Fort St. David dated 28th. past month.

Ship Somers Capt. Eustace Peacock Commandr. arrived in this road from Bengall and Vizagapatam by whom received the following Packets Vizt. 4th.

From the Council for the United Trade in Bengall datd. 6 Decemr. last.

From Messrs. Walker and Boone dated 15th of December.

From the Governr. and Council of York Fort datd. 20th. of August received in Bengall by the Loyall Hecter.

From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapm. datd. 26th. past Month.

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At a Consultation

Present

FRIDAY 4TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Ordered that all Treasure, Goods and Stores now come from Bengall on Ship Somers be unloaden with all expedition.

Ordered that all the Gold received now by the Somers be weighed off by the Warehousekeeper, Mr. Raworth and two Assaymasts who are to deliver it to the Mintmaster to be coined into Pags. with all possible speed.

The following Generall Letters received were all now read Vizt.

From the Council for the Unit'd Trade in the Bay of Bengall datd. 6th Xr.
From Messrs. Walker and Boone dated 16th December.
From the Governr. and Council of York Fort datd. 20th of August last.
From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatm. datd. 26 Decembr. 1705.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

At a Consultation

Present

TUESDAY 10TH. [8TH].

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of December last Ballance

Pagodas= 31 fa. : 4 ca.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of December last and payes into the Rt. Honble. Comps. Cash the sum̃ of One Hundred and five Pagodas one fanam & 50 Cash Ballance of his Mint Account.

Sunca Rama offering a Bill of Exchange for 1000 Pagods. payable to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David Agreed the same be accepted and that so much be pay'd out of Cash here.

Peter de Pomera &c Arrac Farmers pays into the Rt. Honble Comps. Cash the sum̃ of One Thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper loads on a Country boat 5 Candy of Ropes and two of Twine for Fort St. David.

Ordered that all the Bales Loaded at Vizagapatam on the Seom̃rs be continued on board, excepting the Brown Betteelaes and Sallampores, which the Warehousekeeper is ordered forthwith to wash as also the Musters.

Messs. Martin and Raworth's report that they have demanded of Messrs. Hunt and Addison, Attorneys to Mr. Antony Mountague deceased all Accounts and effects in their hands of his, which they refuse to deliver without a possitive order

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from the Governour and Council of which having considered, we conceive we have no Power to give any such order, he not being a Company's servant, and whereas M^r. Mountague left M^r. Hunt & Addison his Attorneys, we cannot but think their Power good to demand and receive in his effects, till orders come from his Brother the Executor, or those next heir to the Estate.

M^r. Farmer having requested in their last Generall Letter from Fort S^t. David leave to lay down the Companys service, agreed y^t. the same be granted him and that M^r. Duke Faunce goes thither to be last of Council in that Place.

Messrs. Robert Wright and Henry Bradshaw were before us to make proposalls for the buying the Silver that came on the So~~m~~ers in order to sett forward a China Voyage, to which we could give no answer not knowing what Species the Silver is, the Council for the United Trade of Bengall having sent no Invoice but mentioned the Number of Chests in one Line, so the Warehousekeeper is ordered to examine the numbers by the Invoice from England and report the same next Consultation when shall give our answere to the aforesaid Gentlemen. Messrs. Wright and Raworth report that the Gold ℔ Ship Somers comes out in weight according to Invoice, which they have delivered the Mintmaster.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Govern^r. and Council of Fort S^t. David dated 5th. Instant now read advising of their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pagodas 2000 Agreed the same be pay'd.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagodas be advanced M^r. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t. David dated 5th. Instant now read and approved.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do load on board Ship Somers half the Quick Silver and China ware fit for England with all the Tea belonging to the United Company that is now in the Warehouse, and to fill her up with Bale Goods, to be proportioned as the Governour and the Warehousekeep^r. shall think fitt.

Agreed that the President and Council for the Seperate Affairs of the old Company do load on board Ship Somers some China Ware, Tea and One hundred Bales of Calicoes for Acco^t. of their Company.

This day was signed the Lease for the Farmers of Beetle Tobacco and Ganja to Ponagetto Narso &c.

Ordered that John Watley be Entertaind one of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison at sixty fanams ℔ month, and that Franck of the said Crew be discharged.

M^r. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of December last Viz^t.

Choultry Custom	Pag^s.	102 : 16 : 65
Rubie Broakers		2 : 31 : 40
Town Broakers		1 : 1 : 70
Registring Slaves		1 : 28 : —
	Pag^s.	108 : 6 : 15

Generall Letter to the R^t. Honble. Mannagers dated yesterday now read and approved.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

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14. Ship Morning Starr Capt. Saxton Commander arrived in this Road from Atcheen.

Ketch Hope arrived in this road from Vizagapatam.

15. Ketch St. Pedro and St. Paulo from Bengall arrived in this road from Bengall Arratoone Noquedah.

17. This day arrived Briggantine St. Anno from Atcheen.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 18TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

The following Generall Letters received from the United Council in Bengall now read Vizt.

One Dated the 21st of December ꝑ Ship Westmorland.

One Dated the 26 Ditto ꝑ Ship Fleet ffriggat.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper forthwith unload fifty Tons of Petre from the Westmoreland, continuing on board her all the Bale and Chest Goods, and that he and the Storekeeper do unload all Stores &c on board both Ships, Fleet ffrigat and Westmoreland.

Agreed that there be pay'd out of Cash the sum̃ of six thousand Pagodas, with the Interest thereon being for so much borrowed of Henry Davenport.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster payes into the Rt. Honble. Comps Cash the sum of Eleven Thousand Pagods. in part of the Gold coined in the Mint received ꝑ Ship Somers.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO · FREDERICK.

18th. Ship Fleet ffriggat Capt. Charles Newton Comandr. arrived in this road from Bengall by whom we received a Packet from the Council for the United Trade there dated 26th. December.

Ship Westmoreland Capt. Samuel Roberts Commander arrived in this Road from Bengall who brought us a Packet from the Council for the United Trade there datd. 21st. December.

The Rising Sun Smack Thomas Meverell Master arrived in this road from Vizagapatam by whom received a Generall Lr̃e from the Chief and Council there dated 10th. Instant.

Ship Maddapollam belonging to Moors arrived in this road from Bengall.

Queen Anne Ketch arrived in this road from Bengall.

19th. Received ꝑ Pattamar via Callicutt a Generall Letter from Sr. Nicholas Wait &c Council of Bombay dated 16th. October, and a Packet from the Governour of Anjengo dated 24th. December 1705.

Received ꝑ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Governr. & Council of Negapatam dated 23d. January N.S.

Received ꝑ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 16th. Instant.

Ship Mahomud Bux arrived from Bengall Woolde Cawn Noquedah.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Govern^r^. and President. — Monday 21st
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matthew Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

The following Generall Letters received were all now read.
From M^r^. Faucett at Metchlepatam dated 28th. December.
ffrom the Cheif and Council of Vizagap^m^. dated 10th. Instant.
From the Generall & Council of Bombay dat^d^. 16th. October 1705.
From the Governour and Council of Anjengo dat^d^. 24th. Decem^r^.
From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort S^t^. David 16th. Instant.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced to M^r^. Willm. Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r^. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Accounts for the month of December last.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Storekeep^r^. reads his Accounts for the month of December last.

Ordered that Thomas Tore of the Gunroome Crew and Henry Watson of the Military be both discharged from farther Service in this Garrison.

About two dayes past here being a report in Town that an English Ship lying at Malacca threaten'd to seize the Manilha Ships belonging to the Armenians, Moors and Gentues upon this Coast, severall of which are our Inhabitants, who Loaded their Ships most part here with Bale Goods, for which Reason we gave them our Pass, and this report having Alarm'd the concern'd they came this day in a very great Body to the Govr. when acquainted him that they had received a Letter from Malacca from the Comander (an Armenian). of one of their Ships who was in that Port, but being threatn'd to be taken by an English Ship that lay there (which we concluded to be the Albemarle) they had Landed their Goods and Treasure, and [to] prevent another Ship that they expected falling in with y^e^. Queens Man of Warrs hands as they call them, they had sent out Vessells that in case they mett with her to order her for Battavia and being under a very great concern for the safety of their Ships they told the Governour that if any of our Ships meddled with theirs, or kept them in Port to their prejudice they expected full and immediat satisfaction from the Company or they would seek for it else where, and whereas we had hitherto prossitively denyed that our Ships was the Pyrats in these Parts 'twould now appear the contrary for what had they to do with the Warr between us, France and Spaine, and that we might as well take the Juncks that Trade from China, Battavia and Malacca to Manilha, as meddle with their Ships, who are Subjects to Princes who have nothing to do with our Warrs, To which the Governour answered them that he would summon the Council this afternoone & consider what is fittest to be done, telling them that he had heard nothing of it before, and wonder'd that the Commander of their Ship did not write him, and doubted not but they would hear another Account more to their satisfaction by the Vessells daily expected from thence.

Joshua Page dying Indebted to the Company being in arrears for the Wine Licence the Governour sent and seiz'd the effects in his House upon his first being dangerously ill, which are lock'd up in the Godowns. Tis therefore agreed that the Paymaster and M^r^. Raworth takes the keys of the House and Godowns; and examine his Paper, and take an Inventory of what therein and sell the same at Publick Outcry, and out of the produce to pay what Rent he owes, and the remainder to pay into the Companys Cash towards his Debt.

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Mr. George Petty advices that the Loyall Cooke in taking in her Ballace here had cover'd forty Chests of Copper which he had delivered to the United Companys Council in Bengall for which he sent us their Warehousekeeper Mr. Nightingalls Receipt weighing Bengall maund 70 and 31 Seer which our Accomptant is ordered to debt Bengall for the same, and bring it to the Credit of the Loyall Cookes Cargoe.

Capt. Samuel Roberts Commandr of Ship Westmoreland in conformity to his Charterparty delivers in a Protest as being apprehensive he could not be dispatched by the last of this moth. when his time for staying in the Country is expired.

Mr. Jonathan Hall who was Second supra Cargoe of the Loyall Cooke delivered us this day a Petition as Entered after this Consultation the Purport thereof being to desire leave to Ship on board the Somers 9 cwt. : 1 q. : 16 lb. of Cinnabar which he brought upon the Loyall Cooke, and will not sell here, Agreed that his request be granted, and that he ships it upon the termes he agreed with the Company.

Ordered that the Rising Sũn Smack and Madapollam yatch be both dispatched immediatly to Fort St. David to fetch Bales, and that the Warehousekeeper Loads on them 50 Baggs of wheat, 2 Candy of wax, 4000 Gunnys, Waxcloth Ropes &c in Proportion.

THOS : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

The Maddapollam Yatch and Fly arrived in this Road from Fort St. David with Bales.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 25TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Agreed that a Cargoe be Loaded on Ship Westmoreland for England, and that it be left to the President and Warehousekeepr. to make a Sortment of the same

The Assaymaster produce an Ingott of Gold N : 3 which came from Bengall on Ship Somers say'd to be sent thither on the Westmoreland which is Invoiced $\frac{3}{4}$ of a Grain worse then standard, and proves to be 3 Grains worse, Agreed that one Pagoda weight be cutt off said Ingott, and sent ye. Compa. with the Assaymasters report, and that one Pagoda weight remain here in the Cash Chest till the Companys answere comes thereto, and that the Mintmaster proceeds in coining the Ingott.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. as Mintmaster payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the Sum̃ of Fifteen Thousand Pagodas in part of Gold coined in the Mint received ℘ Ship Somers.

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Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer pays on his sea Custom Account the sum̃ of One Thousand Pagodas into ye. Rt. Honble. Comps. Cash.

List of Goods, stores and Medicines now wanted from Europe for this Presidency read, and approved.

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Accounts for the month of December last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	P	1,190 :	26 ·	—
Charges Dyett and allowances		290 :	8 ·	50
Stores		65 :	2 ·	30
Fort St. David		3 :	...	...
Charges Generall		316 :	28 ·	30
Charges Cattle		33 :	10 ·	50
Charges Extraordinary		11 :	16 ·	—
Fortification and repairs		129 :	18 ·	—
Pagods. ...		2,040 :	2 ·	—

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper loads all the Quicksilver on board Ships Westmoreland & Fleet ffrigat for England.

Petition of Nella Tombee, Jaggapau and China Jaggapau, who appeal from a Judgement of the Mayors Court, now read, a hearing deferred till the dispatch of the shipping for England.

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco and Beetle Farmers payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams on that Account.

Ordered that John Rawlinson, James Hopkins, Thomas Boucher, Abraham Jarrinson & Charles Cooke of the Military at their request be discharged from farther service in ye. Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Somers about Nine this morning fired a Gun and spread her Colours to signifie she was full. 28

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 30TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Generall Letter to the Rt. Honble. Mannagers dated yesterday & our Dispatch to ye Commandr. of Ship Somers now read & Signed.

Agreed the Principall and Interest of Mr. Daniel Chardins Bond for Pagods. 2500 be pay'd off.

Sunca Rama offering a Bill of Exchange for Pags. 2000 payable to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, agreed the same be accepted of.

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Agreed that Ship Fleet ffriggat be Loaded with a Cargoe for England and that it be left to the President & Warehousekeeper to make a Sortment of the same.

Capt. Charles Newton Comr. of Ship Fleet ffrigat delivers in a Petition which is now read requesting our paying him Three hundred Pags. in part of his Charterparty money, Agreed the same be pay'd him.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepr. unloads the Vessell now appearing to the Southward.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

31st Ship Samuel, John Cornelius Master arrived in this road from Fort St. David loaded with Bales on the Rt. H. United Comps. Acct.

Rising Sun Smack and Mary Briggantine arrived both wth Bales from Fort St. David on the United Company's Account.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FEBRUARY.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

TUESDAY 5TH. Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Company Cash for the month January last Balliance being Pagds. 11344 ; 9.

Messrs. George Lewis and Thomas Wigmores Bond for Pagods. 7000 being due tomorrow, Agreed it be pay'd off with ye Interest.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the Sum̃ of Two thousand Nine hundred seventy Nine Pagodas six fanams in full for the Chest of Gold coined in the Mint received ℔ Ship Som̃ers.

Capt. Samuel Robarts Comandr. of Ship Westmoreland payes in the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Six hundred and Ten Pagodas, being for so much payd the Governour and Council of Trincombar for Masts for Ship Westmoreland.

Agreed to Dispatch the Rising Sun Smack and Maddapollam Yatch to Fort St. David to lye there ready for what Bales they have to send up. And that the Warehousekeeper does send ye following stores Vizt.

4 Chests of Syrash	1 Chest of white Wine.
1 Ditto Hashee	1 Ditto Clarrett.
	Factors Provisions.

Generall Letter to the Rt. Honble. Mannagers datd. yesterday now read and approved.

The following Generall Letters received were all now read.
From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatm. datd. 18th. January [1706]
From the Depty. Governr. & Council of Fort St. David datd. 28th Ditto.
From Mr Faucett at Metchlepatam dated 23d Ditto
From the Governr. & Council of Negapatm. datd. 23d Ditto.

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Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered the Paymaster Musters Ships Westmoreland & Fleet ffriggats Companys and report the same.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Ship Westmoreland and Fleet ffriggat fired each a Gun and spread their Colours this morning to signifie they were [full].

Yesterday the Commander of the Westmore land and Fleet ffriggat had their dispatches delivered them and this afternoone they both [went off in order to saile]. 7

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 9TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Ship Todington arriving in this Road from China this morning, ordered that the Warehousekeeper do immediatly unload all Treasure and Goods on board her excepting the Tea and Quicksilver which is now agreed to be sent for England, the former to be stowed between Decks.

Messrs. Hynmers &c. Supra Cargoes of Ship Todington deliver in the following Papers Vizt.

The Rt. Honble. Companys Instructions to them.
Ship Todingtons Invoice from China
Dittos. Charterparty
Account Cash at Battavia
Ditto at Emoy

the latter are now delivered the Accomptant to be coppyed to be sent the Company by this Ship.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do Load on the Todington so soon as the Commander can take it in Sixty five Tons of Salt Petre and Six ℔ Cent Redwood according to his Charterparty and that Bale Goods are Loaded on her, as the President and Warehousekeeper shall proportion the same, and that the Ship be Dispatched for England with all expedition.

Ordered that Mr. William Martin Paymaster Muster Ship Todingtons Company and report the same.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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Ship St. Joan de Canturbury belonging to Armenians arrived in this Road from Manilha.

Ship Nabee Moode Hodjee Sallam Noquedah arrived in this road from Bengall.

Last night Ship Westmoreland and Fleet ffrigatt saild out of this road having lain wind bound since Dispatch'd.

At a Consultation

Present

Friday 15th

Thomas Pitt Esqr.	Governr. & President.
William Fraser.	Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson.	William Martin.
Robert Raworth.	Thomas Frederick.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of January last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. Unit'd Company's Cash the sum̃ of Fifty Eight Pagodas Eleven Fanams as the Ballance of the Mint Account.

Mr. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of January last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags.	132 : 26 : 40
Rubie Broakers	„	7 . 19 : 65
Town Broakers	„	6 : 8 : 43
Registering Slaves	„	: 16 : —
	Pags.	146 : 34 : 68

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys cash the sum of Two hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper Mr. Raworth and Assaymasters weigh off the Gold received ℔ Ship Todington and deliver it to the Mintmaster to be coined and report the same.

Agreed that the President and Council for the old Companys Affairs Load on Ship Todington Forty-seven Bales of Calicoes on their Companys Account.

Mr. William Fraser Accomptant does now read the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of December last.

Messrs. Hynmers &c Supra Cargoe of Ship Todington designing Home on the same Ship, yet nevertheless could not avoid Landing what Goods they have on their Priviledge to clear the Ship in order to relade, 'Tis therefore Agreed they re-ship the said Goods without Paying Custom, and that the Warehousekeeper gives an order to the commander to receive the same on board.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced Paulo &c Washers towards curing the Rt. Honble. Comps. Cloth.

Ordered that the Following things be sent to Vizagapatam by the first Good Vessell bound thither.

2 Chests of Hashee 2 Chests of Syrash.
1 Leaker of Battavia Arrac, 2 Bales of Sugar.
Factors Provisions.

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Two Generall Letters from Mr. Thomas Faucett at Metchlepm. dated 20th and 30th January now read.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO . WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Commerce Capt. Bulkly Commandr. arrived in this Road from Juncks alone. 15

Ship Destiny Capt. Thomas Edwards Commander arrived in this Road from Pegue. 16

Recd. ⅌ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 13th Instant.

Sloop Francis arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam. 18

Ship Margery and Frances arrived in this Road from Atcheen Mr. Jones Master. 19

Ship Todington fired a Gun and spread her Colours to signifie she was full. 21

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 22D.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Accounts for the months of December and January last Vizt.

To Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month	Pags.	2453 : 6 : 18
To Custom on Grain	„	1394 : 28 : 56
To Anchorage	„	41 : 18 : —
	„	3889 : 16 : 74

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of One Thousand Pagodas on account Sea Customs.

The Paymaster reports Ship Todingtons Company to be fifty-nine Men and Boys.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his storekeepers Acct. for the month of January last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Two hundred and Ten Pagods. on account Stores sold.

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Accot. for the month of January last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags.	1288 : 27 : —
Charges Dyett and allowances	„	318 : 23 : —
Charges Generall	„	343 : 35 : —
Charges Cattle	„	32 : 15 : —
Fort St. David	„	8 : 12 : —
Charges Extraordinary	„	1 : 20 : —
Fortifications and repairs	„	197 : 24 : —
	„	2191 : 12 : —

and Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced towards defraying Charges Garrison.

Generall Letter to the R^t^. Honble. Mannagers dated 20th Instant now read and approved, as also our Dispatch to the Com^r^. of Ship Todington.

Ordered that Mathias Johnson be Entertaind one of the Gun^rs^. Crew.

There being a Sloop bound to Vizagapatam from whence we have our Long-cloth and Sallampores considerable cheaper then here or at Fort S^t^. David. Tis therefore resolved that we now send them Five Thousand Pagod^s^. on the Freindship Ketch to be Invested ⅔ in Longcloth and One Third Sallampores ord^ry^. and to promise them a farther supply, upon their assurance that they can Invest it.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

22 Ship [*Lacuna*] Nicholas defeuma Master arrived in this road from Moco.

23^D^ This evening M^r^. Thomas Marshall and the Commander of Ship Todington went on board Ship and saild in the night.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 26TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

The following Generall Letters received and sent were all now read Viz^t^.
From S^r^. Nicholas Wait &c Council at Bombay dat^d^. [*Lacuna*].
From the Govern^r^. and Council of Anjengo dat^d^. [*Lacuna*].
To the Council for the United Trade in the Bay of Bengall dat^d^. [*Lacuna*].
To the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated [*Lacuna*].

The Governour having received a Letter from the Kings Court advising that the King had Issued out very severe Orders against all Europeans to seize their Effects and Interdict their Trade, and b[y] a Letter lately received from the Generall and Council of Bombay which confirmes that the latter is put in execution at Surat, which makes us apprehensive that we may meet with trouble here, and whereas the Nabob of this Country is lately marchd with his Army to the Southward of Fort S^t^. David, who in all probability on his returne may call there, when we can give them no assistance, hence by reason that the Southerly Winds will be then settin, wch. are now variable, so 'tis agreed we immediately Dispatch the Rising Sun Smack thither with Thirty Officers and Souldiers, to remain there till the Nabob returns to these Parts, or that we send an Order to recall them.

THO. PITT.
WILL. FRASER.
THO. WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
M. MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.

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Sloop Hierusalem sail'd out of this road for Bengall. 26

Sloop Greyhound Capt. Peter Wallis Commander arrived in this road from York Fort on the West Coast of Sumatra. 27

The Huglyana Ketch Capt. Charles Hopkins Commander arrived in this road from the West Coast, by whom we received the following Packets from the Governour and Council of York Fort, the latter advising of the Death of Mr. Watts, after a long and lingering sickness Vizt.

One Packet datd. pmo. December 1705
One Packett dated 10th. Ditto
One Packett dated pmo. January 6, 1705.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President. — Thursday 28th
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt. Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of York Fort dated Primo and 10th of December and 1st of January all now read, advising that they had drawn Bills of Exchange on us for Dollars 49057.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do send on the Rising Sun Smack for Fort St. David six Bales Scarlet, & some Toys for Presents.

Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees who agreed for all the Broadcloth that came out this year, and received that brought on the Fleet ffriggat, but scrupled taking what brought from Bengall on the Somers by reason that the Council had there taken out One hundred Bales of the Ordinary Reds and Green, and no [ne] of the Aurora or Scarletts which are not very Vendible here so this day the President and Council mett at the Broadcloth Warehouse to discourse the Merchants about it, where it was agreed with them that, they should take all the Cloth upon the termes of their former Contract, except Twelve Bales of scarlet to be kept for the Companys Account.

Tho. Pitt.
Will. Fraser.
Tho. Wright.
M. Empson.
W. Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho. Frederick.

The Freindship Ketch Mr. Bulkly Master sailed out of this road for Vizagapatam and Bengall, by whom we sent Packets to the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam and the Council for the United Trade in Bengall both dated the 25th of past month. pmo.

Ketch Hope sailed out of this road for Vizagapatam.

The Maddapollam Yatch arrived here from Fort St. David. pmo.

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At a Consultation

Present

Friday 8th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt. Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of February last Ballance due to the President Pagods. 786 : 16 : 2.

Generall Letter to the Generall and Council of Bombay datd. yesterday, as also one to the Governour and Council of Anjengo dated this day both now read and approved.

This day William Ridgley Master of the Diana Sloop Delivered in a Petition (with his Account) who was sent to Malacca July 1704 to advise of what French Ships were arrivd on this Coast and what more expected, and afterwards if possible to fetch Pollicondore, and goe thence and cruce in the Streights and lye at some convenient Place with advices for the Companys and all English Ships from China, but within two Leagues of Pollicondore meeting with a storm of wind was forced to Cochin China, where his Vessell and People were seized and lay in Prison Eleven months undergoing Great hardship as his Petition, which is Entered after this Consultation more particularly appears: His Accounts now delivered in, ordered to be given the Accomptant, who is to peruse the same, and make his report next Consultation day.

This day we had under our consideration the miserable condition of the West Coast, which being lately made Independant from this Place makes us uncap[ab]le of applying those Effectual means as the present Circumstances of that Place require but well Beleiving that the Company will expect that we use our endeavours to preserve it from utter ruin till they can give their orders about; Tis therefore agreed that we forthwith returne the Huglyana Ketch, and on Her what Persons [we] can get that are Proper to reside in the Counsil of Bencoolen and some Writers if procureable, as also what Stores most necessary to be sent, with Thirty Candy of Red wood and One hundred Bales of Longcloth if they can take it on board.

This day we had severall West Coast Bills presented in Consu[lta]tion which being to so great an Amount as Forty Nine thousand fifty-seven Dollars occasioned a Debate whether we should Pay them, besides Drawn at Ten dayes sight, but after all considering that our refusall of Payment would be the utter ruin of that Settlement, besides the United Company have in every Letter since they made it Independant Ordered that we should supply them with whatever they wanted: Tis therefore unanimously agreed that the Bills now drawn to the Amount before mentioned be pay'd the Tenth of next month or as soon as the Companys in Cash to do it, thô we can't but with the greatest concern part with so much money of the Companys without the least knowledge of what is become of it.

This day Messrs. Edward Fleetwood and Robert Wright designing a China Voyage was before us, when made proposalls for the buying the Companys Silver, after some Debate urging the great quantity of Dollars in Town, and that a considerable part of the Companys was French Crowns, which is one and a half per cent worse th'en Dollars in China, they offered to give Ten Pagods. for Sixteen three quarters Dollar weight, upon which they were ordered to withdraw till we had considered of the same.

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Wee allowing to be true what urged by Mess[rs]. Fleetwood & Wright as to the quantity of Dollars and French crowns, and considering the great want we shall be under to pay off the West Coast Bills, and Fort S[t]. David Merchants, for which if we sell not the Silver we must take up money at Interest, and none being willing to let it under three or six months, in which time we may happen to sell it at Sixteen and a quarter which will not near compensate the Interest, so 'tis more the Companys advantage to sell it at this time at Sixteen and a halfe. 'Tis therefore agreed the aforesaid Persons are again called in, and acquainted with our resolutions not to sell it under sixteen and a halfe, and to give their immediate answere thereto, who accordingly came in and agreed to give Sixteen and a halfe to pay in one month. Ordered that the Warehouse-keeper weighs off the same to them in the presence of M[r]. Raworth and Assay-master it having not been weighed since it came from Bengall.—

Agreed that Fifteen hundred Pagodas be advanced to Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

M[r]. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of February last Viz[t].

Choultry Custom	Pa. 132: 26: 40
Rubie Broakers	7: 19: 65
Town Broakers	6: 8: 43
Registering Slaves	... 16: ...
	Pag[s]. 146: 34: 68

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper layes before us as soon as possible the state of the Merchants Accounts and what Goods for Europe now in the Warehouse with their quality & quantity.

A Grant for a Peice of Ground sold M[rs]. Dixon is now read and signed and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that Paul Rodregues be Entertaind one of the Gun[rs]. Crew in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO. WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HON[BLE]. THOMAS PITT ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R[T]. HON[BLE].
UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE
COAST OF CHOROMANDELL AND GOVERN[R]. [OF]
FORT S[T]. GEORGE &C COUNCIL.

The Petition of William Ridgely
Most Humbly Sheweth.

That your Petitioner in obedience to your Commands did in July Anno 1704 embarque on the Diana Sloop in the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Companys service, bound for the Streight of Malacca to learne and give intelligence if the French were in those parts, to all such of the Companys and other English Shipping coming that way, as to your Hon[r]. &c is well known, And pursuant to your orders, having left M[r]. Dean att Malacca did direct his course for the speediest attaining the Island of Condore, and finding the Streights clear to cruize for the returning Shipping, but the Vessell being small the season elaps'd, and meeting with violent storms was unfortunately drove upon the Cochin China Coast where the Vessell, your

Petitioner and all on board fell into the hands of a Treacherous and barbarous people, the particulars whereof are faithfully sett forth in the Papers herewith humbly presented, to which your Petitioner begs you would be referred, and craves leave to lay before your Honr. &c a breif, of the miseries and hardships he hath undergone, from the time he embarqu'd in the Rt. Honble. Companys Service, his long and severe imprisonment the torments inflicted on him by those Barbarians, and the continuall apprehensions he lay under of falling a Sacrafice to their cruelties, which your Petitioner wants words to express.

And farther seteth forth that during your Petitioner being detained at Cochin China with the Vessell and all her Crew, which was eleven months, your Petitioner did out of his own money supply them all with Provissions and necessarys or they must infallibly have perish'd, and when orders came for their clearance your Petitioner &c were not permitted to depart till he had pay'd their ransome, to obtain which having been before plunder'd of all his Effects he was necessi[ta]ted to borrow money of a China man there, and to repay the same, and their Passage. Mr. Marshall commisserating your Petitioners condition did Lend him so much in China as to clear the said Debt, and to cloth his distressed and naked companions, which money your Petitioner still owes, as by the Account hereunto annex'd appears [for] which your Petitioner humbly prays your Honr. &c would take into your serious consideration, relying intirely upon your favour and as in Duty bound.

Shall ever Pray &c.

Know all men by these presents that we Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President of Fort St. George &c Council for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty Three Pagodas four fanams and forty Cash Currant of Madrass to us in hand pay'd by Jane Dixon at and before the sealing & deli[very] hereof, which say'd sum̃ we do hereby acknowledge to have received for Account of the Rt. Honble. English East India Company, have sold, and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said Jane Dixon for Account and use of herself, and her Heirs for ever a peice of Ground standing between Caldera Point to the Northward, and adjoining to her own House (formerly Capt. Medcalfes house) to the Southward To have and to hold the said Ground being in length One hundred and Nine foot North and Ninety three feet South and breadth eight foot and a half East, and Twenty one foot and a halfe West, together with the said Ground and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging unto the said Jane Dixon, and we the aforesaid Governour, President & Council do oblige ourselves and our Successors and every of them firmly by these Presents to Warrant and make Good this Bill of Sale against all manner of Claims or demands whatsoever unto the said Jane Dixon for the use aforementioned. And 'tis hereby farther agreed notwithstanding what before mentioned that we reserve a Liberty to ourselves and Successors free Egres and Regress to the Salay Port now standing in the said Ground, and that as Key of the outward dore be alwayes Lodged with the Gunner. Witness our Hands and the Rt Honble Companys Seal in Fort St. George this Twentyth day of February One Thousand seven hundred five and Six.

Thomas Pitt.
William Fraser.
Thomas Wright.
Matt. Empson.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. SATURDAY 9TH.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S[t]. David dated 6th. Instant now read, the purport thereof being to advise that the Nabob was on his return from the Southward, and that they were apprehensive he would come threw or near their Bounds, when they thought it would be necessary for the Companys Interest to make him a considerable Present, as also to Abdull Nubby who had always showed himself friendly to the Companys Interest on all occasions, for which they desired our speedy Directions and orders, which we immediatly forwarded by Letter, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

The Maddapollam Yatch arriving from Fort S[t]. David the 7th. Instant, Tis agreed she be forthwith returned thither with a Serjeant and Ten Souldiers.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE WORP[LL]. GABRIEL ROBERTS ESQ[R].
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R[T].
HON[BLE]. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMP[A].
&C. COUNCIL AT FORT S[T]. DAVID.

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S[RS].

Yours of the 6th. we received about 8 this morning and when we are more at leasure we shall consider of that business of M[r]. Harrison and M[r]. Bridges, and send you a Cooper so soon as we can get one.

We beleive it necessary to give the Nabob a Present if he comes to your Place, and hope to the Amount of Three or Four hundred Pagod[s]. may doe, and we would not have you exceed Five, but if you hear he intends to come to S[t]. Thoma it would be very well if you could evade it, and send him only a Present of some Liquors, telling his People you have no Orders from Madrass, and that the Governour of which Place will be Gratefull to him for his civillitys to you, for if you should Present, and we too, both may be considerable, whereas good part of one, if not all, may be saved if you can mannage it as before Directed.

We have had frequent experience of Abdull Nubbys Friendship, and are in Arrears to him for it, therefore you may Present him as formerly Order'd, and if you find it absolutely necessary you may add a small matter thereto, but believe he will expect his with the greatest Secrecy and so you must do by that, if you Present the Nabob and give him any money.

In the mannagement of this Affair Abdull Nubbys advise and Friendship will be necessary, as well as the ablest of your Merchants and Inhabitants, we wrott you what the President was advised from Court, and what we had in a Generall Letter from Bombay, but yet that does not Imply that the Nabob has of a certain such Orders; Tis good to be cautious, but not intimidated, and

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remember that parting with the Companys money on all slight occasions, intales a Rent Charge, and consequently ruin.

The Yatch arrived here last night and shall this evening return her again to you with a Serjeant and Ten souldiers.

We sent you such Toys as we had by us, and if you meet with any at your Place properer you must buy them; send us frequent advices, and a full Account of your negotiation with the Nabob. We are

Srs.
Your Affectionate Friends & humble.
Servants

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM FRASER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.

9th. The Maddapollam Yatch sailed for Fort St. David.

" Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 6th. Instant.

" Dispatched ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated this day.

Entd. rong. 13th. Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 11th. Instant.

14th. Dispatch'd ℘ Pattamars the Following Generall Letters Vizt.

To the Generall and Council of Bombay dated 7 Inst.

To the Governour and Council of Anjengo dated 8 Instt.

To the Governour and Council of Negapatam, Inclosing a Letter to the Supra Cargoes or Commanders of any English Ship or Vessell at Negapatam, dated 13th Inst.

To the Governour and Council of Trincombar Inclosing such another Letter 13th. Instt.

To the Governour & Council of Fort St. David.

To the Deputy Governour of Fort St. David both dated this day.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 11th

THOMAS PITT ESQr. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of February last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Six Thousand four Hundred fifty four Pagodas twenty three fanams, Ballance of that months Account.

Messrs. Raworth and Frederick payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Two hundred Pagodas on Account of the Estate of Mr. Matthew Mead Deceased.

Ordered that the Paymaster pays £ 64 : 7d. Sterling at 9s. ℘ Pagodas being for a Chest of Medicines for the West Coast, and that he farther payes what due

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to the Master and Laskars of the Huglyana Ketch what due to them, as also advance them Imprest money.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced Mr. Willm. Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

This day the following Persons appeared in Council to Tender their services to go to serve the Company in their Council att Bencoolen Vizt. Mr. Robert Glessell, Factor some years past in the New Companys service at Metchlepatam, Mr. Thôms. Wright Factor in the old Companys service in Persia and Suratt, Mr. William Dean Factor in this Place, whom we first acquainted upon what uncertaintys they must goe, for as that Place was Independant on this, we could only recommend them to such Posts in the Companys service as we agreed on but could not Order it, but in case on their arrivall there, [those] in the Council of Bencoolen should refuse to receive them in the Employs we Direct, it should be at their choise to returne upon the same Vessell which should lye there under our Orders and not the Council of that Place for her departure thence, since the Death of Mr. Watts the Persons that are of Council at Bencoolen being Mr. Ridley, Mr. Lapie, & Mr. Greav[es]. Mr. Ridley went hence to the West Coast with Mr. Watts, but in what circumstances we doubt not, but the Company was fully informed before they sent him out one of Council of yt. Place, which is the reason we think it not convenient to send any one hence to precide over him, but for Mr. Lapie and Mr. Greaves they were sent writers hence the former came out a servant to Depaz, and the other a writer on the Colchester, so considering these Gentlemens standing that now tender their Service we cannot press them to go otherwayes then they have now proposed. Mr. Glessell second of Bencoolen and to succeed Mr. Wheeler in the Cheifship of Bantall Mr. Thomas Wright Third of Council in Bencoolen, Mr. William Dean Fourth, Mr. Lapie Fifth, and Mr. Greaves Sixth. Mr. Glessell &c to have the usuall Salar[y] of that Place, and to have such Employs according to their seniority in the Council. And that for the incouragement of the Gentlemen now going Tis agreed that the following sums be advanced to them which they are to repay at Bencoolen out of their salary to Mr. Glessell Pagods 100: Mr. Wright Pagods. 50. Mr. Dean Pags. 50.

Ordered that the Master of the Huglyana Ketch Ships 8 or 10 Supernumery Laskars to remain if desired at Bencoolen, and that the Paymaster advance them their Imprest money.

The Accomptant does now report that he has examined Capt. Ridgley Accounts, who finds it right cast up, and for what charged therein he tenders his oath, agreed the Ballance being Pagods: 655: 5: 40 be pay'd out of Cash, and the Account Entd. after this Consultation.

Agreed that Three hundred Pagods. be advanced to the Painters towards painting three hundred peices of Moorees.

The Vizagapatam Merchants deliver in a Petition, wch. is now read, and is as Entered after this Consultation the consideration of which is deferred to another meeting.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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TO THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^{T}. HON^{BLE}. ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMP^{A}. [ON] THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL.

The humbly Petition of Budde Narrain &c. Merchants in Company belonging to Vizagapatam

Most humbly sheweth

Tis now fourteen years your Petitioners have been in the Honble. Companys Service at Vizagapatam in which they have had great dealings, and Invested severall and large sums of money for the providing their Goods but [soon] after to the great Loss and the prejudice of your Petitioners there, happening troubles in the Countrey, the Weavers belonging to your Petitioners ran away with Considerable sums of theirs by which with other Losses they sustained at that time remain[ed] Four Thousand Pagodas Indebted to the Honble. the Company, w[hich] your Petitioners endeavouring to clear, could not effect it before the Death of M^{r}. Holcombe, soon after which M^{r}. Frewen coming thither demanded the Ballance owing by your Petitioners to the Honble. the Company, which they proposed to pay in two or three years time provided the Investments were wholy put into their Hands, for which they would give good security & accordingly brought four very eminent and able Merchants to be bound for them, who stay'd there eight days, but by Juggap[a] M^{r}. Holcombes Braminy (with the malice and hatred he bore to your Petitioners) their well designed Proposalls was over sett he representing strange and false Notions against you[r] Petitioner to M^{r}. Frewen, and recommending to him one Coor[gala] Lingana who fifteen years past was dismissed the Comp^{s}. Service, but is now taken in again, and has the Investment in his own Hands, at which time your Petitioners were clap[ped] up into close Prisons, and their Familys Houses and Effects all seiz'd and some time after your Petitioners were sent up hither in a Boat. Your Petitioners will here lay before you^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c Short Account of the base and villainous proceedings of Juggapa which are too many to be described in writing.

'Twas he who was the only Person that perswaded and advised M^{r}. Holcombe to Lend, but his money to the Polligars, [Marrawarrs] &c for Security of which was made over Villages and Countrys to M^{r}. Holcombe, by which means Juggapau secured to himself no small Presents from the Persons to whom y^{e}. money was Lent, and was the sole occasion of bringing M^{r}. Holcombes Affairs into the ruinous condition they now are Your Petitioners have likewise been considerable sufferers thro' severall of his roguish Actions, in which they cannot be particular, but leave it to your Hon^{rs}. &c consideration whether such a Person is fitting to be continued in the Honble. the Comp^{s}. Service in which he can't but show himself as great a villain as he has hitherto done, and will leave no stone unturned to ruin theirs or your Petitioners Affairs; for 'tis reasonable to beleive he'l endeavour to bring M^{r}. Frewen into the same snare he did M^{r}. Holcombe, by his advising of him to Lend money to the Country Government, for which he has already been about him, but meets with noe incouraging answere, M^{r}. Frewen refusing to adhere to his Villainous request without a possitive order from the Govern^{r}. and Council for y^{e}. same.

Not long before M^{r}. Holcombes death Juggapau marry'd his son to the Nabobs Cossanavees's Daughter at Chiccacull which cannot but be of prejudice to the Companys affairs.

All which your Petitioners humbly lay before your Hon^{rs}. &c Serious Consideration requesting that by the first Ship that goes they may bee returned to their own Country, and have the Investments again put into their hands, for wch. they'll give sufficient and good security, by which meanes in two or three years they will be enabled to clear the Honble. the Companys Debt.

And as in duty bound shall ever pray etc.

SLOOP DIANA —— Dr. | MALLACCA 1704, PER CONTRA —— Cr.

Dr.	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Sundry Expences as ℘ Accot. particulars Dollr. 57 : 2 at 2 ℘ Pags.	28	22	40
Ballance carryed down	9	31	40
Pags.	38	18	—

Cr.	Pa.	fa.	ca.
By Cash received of Mr. Dean Rix Dollars 77 : [ ] ...	38	—	—

DITTO. —— Dr. | CHAMPAU IN COCHIN CHINA OCTOBR. 1704 —— Cr.

Dr.			Pa.	fa.	ca.
To Ballance about Account			9	31	40
Presents to ye. King & Mandereens at Champau wn. appeared before them			15	7	40
Oyle wood Masts &c. charges for the sloop...			13	10	20
Presents to the Govr. & Ma[n]dereens at Berrea wn. sent thither			39	24	—
Cash pay'd the sloops Compa. it being part of their wages to buy them food without which they must have starved Vizt.					
Direck Hadgh 5½ months pay at 9pa. ℘ month ...	Pa.	49 : 18			
John Atkins 6½ months at 5 Pa ℘ month ...		32 : 18			
William William Ditto		32 : 18			
James Brewer 6 months at Ditto...		30 : :			
John Gunsteed		13 : 18			
St. Jago Topaz		15 : 30			
John Demounte		10 : 9			
Enas Gomes		11 : 3			
Padro Pentha		9 : 6			
Antoni de Mounte...		12 : 15			
			216	25	—
To Cash pay'd the Mandereens writers & Souldrs. at our clearance			28	6	—
To Cash borrowed of Mr. Marshall 102 Tale to repay the China man for the money taken up of him to redeem myself and sloops Crew in Cochin China and our passage from thence to Canton as ℘ Account particulars appears for which I am charged here			118	—	—
To my wages for 14 months at 16 Pags. ℘ month			224	—	—
To Cash pay'd William Williams in Madrass			10	—	—
Pagods.			655	5	40

Cr.	Pa.	fa.	ca.
By Ballance Due to me	655	5	40

Errors Excepted.

℘ William Ridgley.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^r^. GOVERN^r^. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 11th. Instant now read with our answere thereto of this days date.

The Loyall Merchant Freighted from hence to China and Persia who tooke in Goods here to Land at Malacca, but unaccountably dammaged a considerable part thereof, having four foot of water in the hold before discovered, the Owners of which Goods returning hither on an Armenian Ship, who are Inhabitants of Pollicatt were very clamorous for Satisfaction, and M^r^. Marshall who was Supra Cargoe of the Loyall Merchant, who returned on the Todington brought with him a particular Account of y^e^. Damage, which matter was referred to be adjusted by Messrs. Thomas Wright and Edward Fleetwood who reported the same under their hands and make the Dammage to be Pagod^s^. 521 : 28 : 40 which is agreed to be pay'd out of the Companys Cash, they to be advised thereof in our next Generall Letter to stop it out of the Ships Freight in England. Ordered the particular of the Damage be delivered the Accomptant to Enter the same.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

15. Received ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govern^r^. and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 13th. Instant.

16. Dispatched ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter to the Deputy Govern^r^. and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated this day.

17. Ship Sedgwick Capt. Richard Rawlings Comand^r^. arrived in this road from Battavia.

Ship Monsoon Capt. Rose Com^r^. arrived in this Road from Bengall by whom received a Generall Letter from the Council for the United Trade there dated 18th. February 1705.

22. Received ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govern^r^. and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 19th. Instant, and a Letter from M^r^. Roberts Ditto date.

25. Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 21st. Instant.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

TUESDAY 26.

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco and Beetle Farmers payes into y^e^. R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash the Sum̄ of Six hundred twenty five Pagodas on that Account.

Peter de Pomera &c Arrac Farmers payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys the sum̄ of Six hundred Pagodas on that Acc[ount].

M^r^. William Martin payes into the R^t^. Honble. Companys Cash the sum of Forty Pagodas for an Atcheen Horse sold.

The following Generall Letter received were all now read vizt. :—

From the Council for y^e^. United Trade in Bengall dat^d^. 13th. February.
From the Deputy Govern^r^. & Council of Fort S^t^. David dat^d^. 19th. Instant.
From M^r^. Roberts . . . . Ditto. Date.
From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort S^t^. David dat^d^. 21st. Ditto.
From M^r^. Roberts . . . . Ditto date.
From M^r^. Faucett at Metchlep^m^. 2 Letters dat^d^. 4 & 13th. Instant.
A Letter from Capt. Robertson at Mergee.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Acco^t^. for the month of February last vizt.

Custom on Goods Import'd & Exported	P. 3199 : 5 : 22
Custom on Graine	656 : 24 : 12
Anchorge	55 : — : —
	Pag^s^. 3910 : 29 : 34

and payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̄ of One Thousand Pagodas on that Account.

M^r^. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Accounts for the month of January last.

M^r^. William Martin Paymaster reads his Accounts for the month of February last Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	Pa. 1322 : 7 : —
Charges Dyett and allowances	366 : 2 : —
Charges Cattle	32 : 3 : —
Fort S^t^. David	15 : 10 : —
Vizagapatam	2 : 24 : —
Rising Sun Smack	49 : — : —
Charges Extraordinary	6 : 24 : —
Factors Provissions	6 : 27 : —
Charges Generall	317 : 22 : —
Fortifications and repairs	261 : 14 : —
	Pagod^s^. 2379 : 25 : —

Agreed that Five Hundred Pagodas be advanced him towards defraying Charges Garrison.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Storekeep^r^. reads his Accounts for the month of February last, Agreed that Five hundred Pagod^s^. be advanced to buy Timbers and Planck.

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Mr. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper produces the Merchts. Accounts stated by him, upon which they owe about 6000 Pa. Broadcloth and all included. Agreed that they forthwith bring in Calicoes to clear their Accounts.

Mr. Abendana delivering in his Petition of Appeal from the Mayors Court in a Cause between Mrs. Sarah Pitt and himself, and the dispute between them arrising on Sundry Accounts between him & Mrs. Pitts Deceased Husband John Pitt Esqr., Tis ordered that their Accounts are stated by Mr. Richard Hunt, and Mr. Barnard Benyon, and that Mrs. Pitt and Mr. Abendana lay before them all their Papers and Accounts whatever that were produced in the Mayors Court on one syde or other and all other Papers and Accounts, that either of them have relating thereto, and that they attend therewith at the Town Hall at such dayes and times as they shall be summoned by the two aforesaid Persons, and that the Register of the Court attends with his Bookes to lay before them all the proceedings of that Court, & to answere to such Questions they shall demand of him, and this the Secretary to Certifie to the Plaintiff and defendant, as also the Register.

Ordered that as soon as Messrs. Hunt and Benyon have stated ye. Accounts between them Mrs. Pitt and Mr. Abendana that they lay them before the Governour and Council for their opinion and Judgement thereon.

Mr. William Fraser and Mr. Thomas Wright report that they have taken up the Paper given by the New Company's Cheif Dubash at Metchlepatam to pay Custom in case they brought not the Kings Phirmaund in a Limited time.

Agreed that the Two Fort St. David Bills of Exchange be pay'd one being for Three thousand Pagodas the other for One Hundred Pagodas.

Ordered that the Accomptant drawes out the Account of the last halfe yeares Salary due to the Rt. Honble. United English East India Company of this Place.

Agreed that the Ballance of Mr. Thomas Faucetts Account at Metchlepatam be pay'd to Kittee Narrain he having requested the same.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

26 Ship Rajahee Auga Jaffeer Noquedah arrived in this road from Tenassaree.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 28th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.

William Fraser.	Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson.	William Martin.
Robert Raworth.	Thomas Frederick.

Henry Davenport Secretary payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of One Hundred and Thirty Pagodas for permission of passage of the following Persons to England Vizt. Mr. Marshall, Madam Empson and 2 Children Capt. Gostlins son.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of One Thousand Pagods. on Accot. Sea Customs.

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Mr. William Fraser Accomptant does now produce the accot. of the last half years Salary due to the Companys Servants of the Place amounting to Pagods. 1479: 32: 4: which is agreed to be pay'd.

This day was a Petition delivered in by one Jaggapau complaining of hardships from Mr. Mead deceased on account of a Bond he had given him for which he had extravagant Iuterest, Agreed the same be inquired into by Messrs Wright, Raworth and Frederick and report the same to the Governour and Council.

Mr. Juxon being wrott too by Mr. Dean from Malacca (whom we sent to give advices to the China Ships) to send a Prow from Jahore to lye in the Streights, for which he receiv'd One hundred Dollars, and spending Thirty more did this day deliver in an Account of the same, Ordered that the Accomptant examine and report the same.

The measurers having often Petitioned us to settle that affair which was formerly done in our Consultation, that is two fanams upon each Garse from the seller and two from the buyer, and for the Handfull which they used to take upou each Pagoda worth of Paddy or Rice, after such an unmercifull and unjust manuer that it was a great oppression to the Poor, which induced us to make a measure for that purpose, of which the measurers have a long time complain'd of that it being so small that the value will nor near pay their Cooley hire, which upon examination we have found to be so, so ordered a measure to be made to bear an equall proportion with Four fanams a Garse which was this day produced in Consultation by the Clark of the Market that looke after the weights and measures which is now unanimously Agreed to be the measure for the future and that he makes twelve of the same putting the Companys Mark upon them; & give them out to the measurers calling in all others, and that for the future none presume to use any other then what now Agreed on.

Agreed that a Cowle be Granted the measurers for five yeares under the restrictions aforementioned for which they are to pay Two Hundred Pagodas ℘ Annum Rent at two equall Payments, which if they omitt complying with or Transgress in any respect of which the Governour and Council are Judges that the Cowle be forfited.

We this day tooke into consideration the Vizagapatam Merchants Petition which was read and Entered in our Consultation of the 11th. Instant, wherein they propose to carry on the Companys Investment at that Place in the manners following Vizt. That we advance to them of the Companys money about One Thousand or Fifteen hundred Pagods. for which they will give unquestionable security, and so as they bring in to that amount in cloth we are to advance the like sũm and as they owe about Three thousand Pagods. to the Company on the two last years Investments they themselves to pay yearly one Thousand Pagodas till the same be satisfied which in consideration that the Cloth of that Place comes out Twenty five ℘ cent cheaper yn. that of these parts, and beleiving that unless we inable them in this manner they will not be capable of paying the Companys Debt, notwithstanding they have been many years the Companys Merchants in which time they say they have mett with great misfortunes from the frequent troubles of the Country, Tis unanimously Agreed we accept of their proposalls, and acquaint the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam of the same who are to take their security on their arrivall there, and Employ them in the Comps. business in the manner as before mentioned, and the Merchants forthwith to be Dispatchd to Vizagapatam.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

W: Martin.	Tho: Pitt.
Robt: Raworth.	Will: Fraser.
Tho: Frederick.	Tho: Wright.
	M: Empson.

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28. Ship Chinnadree Capt. Bell Comandr. arrived in this Road from Syam.
—. William Briggantine Thoms. Harris Master arrived from Bengall.
29. Ship Mahonuddee Mahomud Hussain Noquedah arrived from Quedah.
—. Briggantine Morad Bux Mr. Harris Mastr. arriv'd from Quedah.
—. Ship Chinnadree arrived from Pegue.
31. Ship Morning Starr Capt. Ridgley Comandr. saild for Pegue.
—. Ship Bomrapoon Coja Taperu Noquedah arrived from Pegue.
—. The Greyhound Sloop Capt. Jones saild out of this road for Pegue.
—. Pekaimmina Sloop Capt. Jaxon saild for Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 2D.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

The Governour produces a Letter sent him by Mr. Fraser wch. being in Portuguez was Translated and found to be from the Washers who lately ran away, Translate of which Letter is as Entd. after this Consultation whose desertion we cheifly impute to the Governour not bringing in their Petition into Consultation wch. they delivered about two months past, and is now produced, wch. is as Enter'd after this Consultation, the purport being to increase their hyre, which the Governour when they delivered him their Petition asked them how they had the impudence to request such a thing when they had worked all the time of the Famine for the hyre they now have when all Grain was four times as dear.

Generall Letter to the Provissionary Governour and Council of York Fort dated yesterday now read and approvd, as also our sailing Orders to the Master of the Huglyana Ketch & their Instructions.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of One Thousand Pags. on Accot. Customs. Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBt. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONble. THOMAS PITT ESQr. PRESIDENT OF THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL

The Humble Petition of Polleya, Ragana, Gruapau & Andy Ganow Cheif Washermen.

Sheweth

That your Honrs. &c. Petitioners being allowed too litle for washing to the Rt. Honble. Company Vizt. For each Corge of [longcloth] 36 fanams for each peice 2 Doodas more is ℘ Corge 41fa for each Corge of Sallampores 16 fanams for each peice 1 Dooda more is ℘ corge 18 fanams 40 Cash 20 Covds. course Moorees 10 fans. for each peice 1 Dooda more is ℘ Corge 12 fanams 40 Cash 40 Covds. Ginghams ℘

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Corge 32 fanams for each peice 3 Doodas more is ℔ Corge 39 fanams 40 Cash, Fine Moorees ℔ Corge 12 fan^s for each peice 1 Dooda more 14 fan^s 40 Cash for each peice of Neckclothes 5 Doodas for each Neckcloths 3 Cash more is ℔ peice fan^m 16 Cov^ds. Ginghams ℔ Corge 10 fan^s for each peice 1 Dooda more is ℔ Corge 12 fan^s. 40 Cash your humble Petitioners earnestly intreats that your prudence &c. will be pleased to allow them their Just and reasonable demands, they being much Indebted, and what they are pay'd for the Washing of the above said Cloth being so little that they can scarce sustain Nature, therewith and if their Creditors should arrest them they will infallibly and their Familys perish they are as lyable to the lash of the Law as any others, notwithstanding they are Servants to the R^t. Honble. Company, but they hope you will prevent these ensuing Calamitys they puting their repose in your Goodness &c. Your humble Petitioners implore that you will take the premises into your most serious consideration & Grant these Poor Washermen their Lawfull request and as in duty bound they shall ever Pray &c.

To the Honble. the Govern^r and Council.
Honble. S^r. &c.

Tis with great regrett we should give your Hon^r. any occasion of displeasure with us for absenting from our business, but it being absolutely necessary we could not avoid it to present the Injustices we have received from the Conicoplyes in curtailing the Pay of our daily Labour in curing the Companys Cloth, which we have for some time conniv'd at, which is the motive we have absented ourselves; Of the Thousand Pagodas your Hon^r. delivered them for us on Account of washing the last Cloth we received no more than Six hundred thereof keeping in their hands the other Four hundred, which we demanded of them, to which they replyed we should ask it of the Govern^r. for they had none of it, and that your Hon^r. may be more fully informed of the injustices done us, we shall instance that they were Indebted on the last Account the sum of One hundred and eighteen Pagod^s. and Senh^r. Ignatio the sum̃ of Forty Pagodas, and Jaggappa Pag^s. 50 and they oblige us to wash another parcell of Cloth, for which because they alledged we did not take great care they pay'd us nothing for our labour and as for the accustomary Portion of Rice we were to have for conjeeing the Goods, we have received none this year, besides the Longcloth and Sallampores we have washed this year has been very thick and much harder to cure and require more Labour and time then usuall, for which have not had sutable satisfaction and whereas we are assured of your Hon^rs. &c. Justice to the Poor and oppressed, we are in hopes to be satisfied for all that is due to us, and we farther humbly Pray that the Six Conicoplyes may be turned out of their Employs, and be chastiz'd according to their deserts as aforementioned, and again they have given one of our Cheif Washers 24 Mercall of Paddy ℔ Pagoda, and to the other three but 21 ℔ Pagodas which are irreparable injustices to us, also if by accident we made a small hole in the Cloth, they would deduct from ¾ Pagoda ℔ hole, and besides would make us take the Cloth and considering these oppressions, we Resolve to serve the Company no longer, but to seek our rice where we can meet with more Justice, that we may not be cheated of our hyre, thô hope your Hon^r. &c being zealous for the Companys Interest will see that Justice be done us, so we Pray God preserve your Hon^r. &c.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 11th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

This day the Governour produced Two Letters from the Primere Minister of State of Pegue, which came by his Kings Embassadors now arrived who are sent with a Present to the Mogull, in which Letter 'tis desired the Governour would give them his assistance and advice in conducting them the safest way to the Kings Court, Agreed to write to the Nabob & Duan for their advice and Directions therein, Translate of the Two aforementioned Letters are as Entered in the Booke of Country Letters.—

The Governour produced a Letter from the Nabob in which he h[ints his expecting a Prese]nt, Agreed that he be sent [Forty Ducks and a Present of] Liquors, the Letter is as Entd. in our Country Letter Booke :—

Messrs. Wright, Raworth and Frederick report they have Examined into Jagapaus business, ordered that he pay what they now report he Justly owes Mr. Meads Estate.

The Warehousekeeper producing a List of Calicoes of what already in the Godowns and at the Washers. Tis agreed that we Treat with the Merchants for the following Goods to be added thereto, that so we may be in a condition to Dispatch the Loyall Merchant and Loyall Cooke in September next, who are expected from Persia in few months.

Peices.	
15000	Longcloth Ordinary Fifteen thousand Peices
4000	Betteelæs of 40 and 50 Covds. Four thousand Peices
1000	Longcloth Fine One Thousand Peices
20000	Sallampores Ordinary Twenty thousand Peices
1500	Ditto Fine Fifteen hundred Peices
1500	Longcloth middling Fifteen hundred Peices
2000	Moorees ordinary Two thousand Peices
500	Moorees Fine Five hundred Peices
2000	Long Cloth Blue Two hundred Peices
1000	Ginghams y[ar]d wide One Thousand Peices
500	Ditto $1\frac{1}{2}$ yard Five hundred Peices
1000	Betteelæs Oringall One Thousand Peices.

Ordered that the China Cargo received ℘ Ship Todington be sold at Publick Outcry at the Sea Gate the 23d. Instant, and that the Warehousekeeper affixs Papers accordingly, mentioned ye. quantity and quality but if any in the meantime has a mind to buy all or any part thereof they may apply themselves to the Governour, who will advise the Council thereon.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United [Companys Cash for the mo]nth of March last Ballance [due to the Presidt. Pag.=12].

Mr. George Snell who by his constant debauchery dyed yesterday very suddainly, and having left no Will. Tis ordered that Mr. Martin the Paymaster and Mr. Robert Raworth takes charge of his Papers and Effects, and pays what ready money he had by him into the Companys Cash, and sell at Outcry what

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belongs to him, and recover in what Debts appears to be due to him, and by the Direction of the Govern^{r}. and Council pay whatever he shall be Indebted.

Tho : Pitt.
Will : Fraser.
Tho : Wright.
M : Empson.
W : Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.

Ship Nos senh^{ra}. Remera senh^{r}. Joan Domingos arrived in this road from Syam. [—]

William Briggantine sail'd out of this road for Fort S^{t}. David.

[Ship] Huglyana Ketch Capt. Charles Hopkins Mast^{r}. sail'd out of this Road for the West Coast. 5

Calcutta Sloop Richard Collins Master sail'd for Bengall. 6

Ship Bone Voyageo arrived in this road from Pegue. 9

The Maddapollam Yatch arrived in this road from F. S^{t}. David. 11

The Rising Sun Smack Thomas Meverell Master arrived in this road from Fort S^{t}. David by whom received a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council there dat^{d}. the 10th. Instant, advising that by the returne of this Vessell they had returned all the Souldiers formerly sent them. 12

Rec^{d}. ⅌ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated 23^{d}. March with their Paymasters Account and Diary and Consultations to 31st. January. 12

Received ⅌ Pattamar a Generall Letter from M^{r}. Faucett at Metchlepatam Dated 29th. March.

The Josiah Ketch M^{r}. Allen arrived in this road from Racke[en]. 12

Ship Rawratoon Senh^{r}. Matt. Carvalho arrived in this road from Syam. 12

Ship Charlton Capt. Thomas Radcliffe comand^{r}. arrived in this road from Persia by whom received a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Gombroone dated 22^{d} January last, and a Packet from the Generall and Council of Bombay dated 11th February. 16

The Tibby Ketch Capt. George Wesley Master arrived in this road from the Malabar Coast.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 18th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt. Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

The Nabob being returned from the [South]ward to Arcott, whereas expected he would have come his way he wrott the Governour a Letter which he now produced wherein he hints that he expected a Present. Agreed that a complymentall answere [be made thereto with one] hundred bottles [. . .].

There being a Garden and some Ground next to Senh^{r} Nichola Manuches which falls into the Companys hands the next month, the Lease given Thirty one year's past then expiring. Ordered that M^{r}. Empson, M^{r}. Martin and Gunner Atkinson view the same, and report the particulars of the Ground how Planted &c. with the Annuall value.

M^{r}. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Fifteen Thousand one Hundred Ninety five Pagodas twenty Nine fanams & seventy Cash as the Ballance of Silver Sold.

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Mr. William Jennings Steward payes into the Rt. Honble United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Sixty seven Pagodas twenty two [fanams and twenty Cash for Salt Pork sold].

Agreed that Three hundred twenty five Pagodas be pay'd out of Cash to Senhr. Mathias Carvalho Account the Estate of Francisco de Saa Deceased.

Mr. William Fraser Accomptant does now read the Journall Parcells of accounts for the month of February last.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Two thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Accounts for the month of March last.

The following Generall Letters received and sent were all now read, Vizt.

To [Chief] and Council of Vizagapatam dated 16th Instant.

From the [Cheif] and Council of Gombroone datd. 22d January last.

From the Generall and Council of Bombay datd. 11th February.

From the Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David datd. 10th Instant.

To the Deputy Governr. of Ditto dated this day.

Agreed that Five Thousand Pagodas be advanced to Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees in part of Calicoes brought into the Warehouse.

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Accot. for the month of March last as also his Account of the Black Town wall and works for Ditto time.

Charges Garrison	Pags. 1262 :	18 :	—
Charges Dyett and allowances	383 :	13 :	60
Stores	216 :	11 :	20
Charges Cattle	30 :	24 :	—
Charges Extraordinary	12 :	23 :	—
Fort St. David	9 :	26 :	—
Charges Generall	401 :	30 :	—
Fortifications and Repairs	153 :	14 :	—
[West Coast]	142 :	10 :	—
Huglyana Ketch	930 :	5 :	—
	Pags. 3543 :	5 :	—

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advance him towards building the Black Town Wall and works.

Agreed that Eight hundred eighty eight Pagods. thirty one fanams and five Cash be pay'd out of Cash to Coja Timore Attorney to Coja Usuph being for so much received into Cash as the produce of severall Goods &c. sold at Outcry belonging to Coja Awan.

M: EMPSON. THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN. WILL: FRASER.
ROBT. RAWORTH. THO: WRIGHT.
THO: FREDERICK.

18. William Briggantine Thomas Morrice Master arrived in this road from Fort St. David.

— Ships Frances and Margery saild for Bengall.

20. The Kings Buxee of this Country came this morning from St. Thoma to vissitt the Governour, whom he received at the Fort Gate and carryed him up into the Consultation Roome wn. there was Great Guns fired as a Complyment to him, and after about an hours stay he went away.

21. Ship Maddapollam arrived from Jaffanapatam.

23. Ship Sedgwick Capt. Cradock Comandr. sailed for the West Coast and Battavia.

24 Ship Dansburgh arrived in this road from Trincombar.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 25TH. [26TH]

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for March last and payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash the sum of Four hundred seventy four Pagodas, seven fanams forty Cash for Custom on Gold coined in the Mint and payes to the Warehousekeeper Rup[s]. 534 : 12[as].

M[r]. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Acc[t]. for the month of March last Viz[t].

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported ...	Pa.	3592.	14.	40.
Custom on Grain		126.	35.	76.
Anchorage		23.	18	—
	P[s].	3741.	32.	36.

and Pay's into the Comp[s]. Cash Fifteen hundred Pag[s]. on that Account.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Moorad Bux saild out of this road for Ganjam. 29

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. MONDAY 29TH.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

The Company having no Horse Furniture that is serviceable the President offers to sell them a very rich Furniture red Velvett embroider'd with Gold &ca Fringe and a furniture now in use with a Gold Lace, with a Caparison Embroider'd for one hundred and Fifty Pagodas. Agreed that the same be taken on the Comp[s]. [Acc[t].] and that the Paymaster payes the same.

There being in November last three Ships cast away of M[r]. Holcombes to the Northward and Southward of this Port about Ten or Twelve Leagues, and tho there was so little of the wracks come ashore not worth disputing yet to preserve our priviledge and claime to wracks for the future the Governour has very frequently since by Letters importuned the Nabob and Duan for their Perwannas to the Phousdars of the Countrys where the Ships were lost to deliver up whatever was saved thereof which lately with a Letter from the Nabob received a Perwanna for one of them that was run aShore at Chingilleputt which he has sent to be Executed a Translate of the Perwanna is as Entered after this Consultation.

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Mr. William Fraser Accomptant reads his Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of February last.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Agreed to sell Venkettee Chittee 4 Bales Scarlet at P. 27 the half peice.

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco and Beetle Farmers payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Five hundred forty one Pagods. seventy four fanams on that Accot.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.

FROM THE NABOB DOWED CAWN
TO JOARR GOVERNOUR OF CHINGILLEPUT

RECD. 26TH APRIL 1706.

You are ordered on receipt of this to deliver up to the Governour of Chinapatams People what is in your possession of the Wracks lost in your Government, for which take their Receipt Seal'd and forward it to me, this comes by Mahossing Chubdarr to demand the same which ye must observe, it being my strict Orders to you Dated April 19th. 1706.

MAY Pmo

2 Ship Diamond John Evans Master saild out of this road for Bengall.

Ship Outcheen arrived in this road from Bengall being bound to the Maldevas but Lost her passage.

3 Ship Harriote Capt Gaywood Comandr. arrived in this road from Suratt, by whom received a Generall Letter from Sr. Nicholas Wait &c Council at Bombay dated 29th March last.

4 Ship Success Mr. Punt Master arrived in this road from Anjengo.

7 Received ℘ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 30th. of April last.

Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from Mr. Thomas Faucett at Maddapollam dated 22d. April last.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 7TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

The Governour acquainting the Council that whereas we had often promissed the Nabobs Secretary &c Durbar officers a Present in consideration of the frequent troubles we give them about our business, and that there being an opportunity few dayes past to send it, he had sent the following Present for that purpose Vizt.

	Pags.
1. ps. of Scarlett ...	27
1. ps. of Aurora ...	17
2. ps. Ordinary Ditto ...	22
6. yds of Perpetuanoes ...	1·6
Rosewater 50 small botts ...	2
	P. 69·6

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50 Bottles Liquor for the Nabob, which is now agreed too.

We having had a Supply of Persia Wine by Ship Queen for the expence of this Presidency, which was long before ye arrivall of the Somers, who brought a considerable quantity of Europe Wine of the Companys, and some Beer the latter near all spoilt, Tis agreed that the Warehousekeeper sells Ten Chests of Clarrett and a Chest of white Wine at Publick Outcry but not under a Pagoda a Gallon.

This day was read a Petition of Donna Johanna Teseira Widdow of John Babtista Deceased, who was many year[es] an Alderman of this City, who by the instigation of the Padres a little before his Death removed to S^t. Thoma, and leaving a Will which his widdow proved in the Portuguez Court there, and the Estate Divided according to the Tenor thereof, and the Portuguez Customs and Lawes, but since his Death, his daughter having marryed a Portuguez Inhabitant of this Place who supposing that his wife [had] not her Just Dividend of her Fathers Estate according to the English Law's, her Husband Gregora De Araugeo has commenced a suit against the Widdow in the Mayors Court and have Atach'd some moneys in this Place, against which she prays relief, and that whereas her Husband dyed at S^t. Thoma and the Will proved there, and that the Papers and Accounts relating thereto remain in that [Country.] according to Custom which they will not permitt to be sent hither to make her defence, so upon mature consideration of the whole matter, and the apprehensions we have of the ill consequences of interfereing with the proceedings of Courts of other Nations, and considering that the Daughter of the Deceased was contented with her Dividend before she marryed, and gave discharged in y^e [Court] for the same. 'Tis unanimously agreed that an Order be directed to the Mayors Court to dismiss the cause and withdraw any Attachment they have issued out against the Effects of John Babtista Deceased, and leave the whole matter to be decided to the Portuguez Court at S^t. Thoma, where all relating to this Affair has hitherto been Translated and Order'd that the Secretary certifies this our Order.

The Petition of the widdow is as Enter'd after this Consultation.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^t. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of April last Bal.^ce. being Pagod^s. 12025 : 28 : 4.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of April last, and payes into the R^t. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Two hundred Sixty Nine Pagodas twenty nine fanams and Forty Cash Ballance for the Custom on Gold coined in the Mint to the Ultimo April, and payes to the Warehousekeeper 80 Rupees for Custom on Silver coined and 2166 West Coast Cash.

M^r. Raworth Land Customer read his Acc^ts. for the month of April last.

M^r. Wright Warehousekeep^r. reads his accounts for the month of March last & payes into Cash One Thousand Pagod^s. on Acco^t. Goods sold.

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco farmers pays in Five hundred eighty seven Pag^s. twelve fanams.

M^r. Empson Sea Customer payes into Cash One Thousand Pagod^s.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagod^s. be advanced the Paymaster.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

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To the Hon[ble] Thomas Pitt Esq[r].
President and Governour of
Fort S[t]. George & City of Madrass
&c. Council.

The hum[ble]. Petition of Donna Johanna Teisera

Humbly Sheweth

That Donna Johanna Teisera being an Inhabitant of S[t]. Thoma with her Husband John Babtista Munis, who it pleased God last year to take out of this world that her Daughter in Law Mary de Silva was an Inhabitant also at that time in the same Place, and an Inventory made by the Judge of S[t]. Thoma who gave her the oath that she delivered all the Gold, Silver, moveable Goods, houses belonging to the Deceased John Babtista Munis her Husband into his hands, in presence of John De Costa de[Saa . .] Procurator for the above named Mary de Silva; and made a Publick Outcry of all by his Majestys Judge, and other Officers, also by them were made a division of the Estate according to the Law of the King of Portugall, the W[ch] Portions were shewen to the Procurator of Mary de Silva her Daughter in Law, and accepted of without the least difficulty. But now Gregory de Rugeo Husband to Mary de Silva have attached by order of the Court of Madrass what money has there; also what money Alaxis Pessoa at S[t]. Thoma has in hands of hers, notwithstanding that money first Attached here by your humble Petitioner Gregory de Rugio pretending that the Division of the Estate was not equall made by his Majesties Justice, and that his wife was defrauded, and that the parts he sayes was wanting ought to be restored; The which Gregore de Rug[eo] cannot pretend to in the Court of Madrass, they not having a full information of this cause and manner how the Division of the Estate was made. For which reasons Donna Johanna Teisera humbly beggs of your Hon[r] &c Council would be pleased to take off the Attachments, and order Gregora de Rugeo to come and make his demands in S[t]. Thoma of the Parts of the Estate he sayes is wanting, his Majesties Judge and Officers of the Justice having made the Accompts and Division of all the Estate conformable to our Law here, who are ready to answere to whatsoever he pretends to, and not oblige her to give new Accompts in the Court of Madrass, and after having received the Accounts on both sides by the Judge of this Place, shall with all readiness consent to what ever he shall demand in this affair, and with gratefull thanks wish your Hon[r]. long life & happyness &c.[a].

9th Ship Friendship Cap[t] Elston Commander arrived in this road from Goa.

11 Ship Crown Cap[t] Charles Perring Comander arrived in this Road from Bombay, by whom received a Generall Letter from S[r] Nicholas Wait &c Council there dated 15th April last.

12 Ship Nathaniel Cap[t] Benjamin Dennis Comand[r]. arrived in this road from the West Coast, by whom received a Packet from the Govern[r]. and Council there dated 25th February last.

Ship Nos Senh[r]. [*Lacuna*] Nichola de ffoma saild out of this road for Mocow.
Ship Dansburgh saild out of this road for Trincombar.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday 14th

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. Governour & President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

Mess[rs]. Hunt and Benyon being ordered as ℔ Consultation the 26. of March 1706. to state the Account between M[rs] Sarah Pitt, and M[r] Abendana, which they

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having accordingly done, did this day deliver it us in Consultation, which was read, and the consideration thereof referred to another meeting.

Mess[rs] Empson, Martin and Gunner Atkinson, being ordered in Consultation the 18th April last to Surveigh a Garden and some Ground the Lease for which expiring the twenty-seventh of this month, did this day deliver in their report Enter'd after this Consultation.

The Widdow in whose possession the forementiond ground is at present in delivers in a Petition to be continued at a Rack Rent, Agreed that when the Rent is stated she has [the]refusall of it.

The Governour produces Translates of a Letter he lately received from the Duan in which he professes the great esteem he has for our Nation for which reason he had ordered Mahomud Moraad the Governour of S[t]. Thoma to Impart a Secrett to him, which he had accordingly done, which the Governour now communicated to the Council enjoining them to secrecy therein, all relating to the Dutch against whom they seem very much inraged, the whole matter we think very inconvenient to Enter in this Consultation but deferr till we write the Company, and then to give them full Account thereof, with the answere to that Affair

The Governour produced Translates of two Letters from the Orumkey and Shabander of Atcheen as Enter'd after this Consultation the consideration of which is referred to another time.

Mess[rs] Thomas Wright and Edward Fleetwood in behalfe of themselves and the Creditors of Mess[rs] Henry Griffith and Charles Bugden, requesting the Governour and Councills Order to M[r] Edward Fleetwood and M[r] Robert Wrighte Supra Cargoes of Ship Hannover now bound on a Voyage to China, to seize or recover any Effects or Debts that they shall meet with at Mallacca or else where during their Voyage. Agreed the same be granted them which is as Enter'd after this Consultation.

We having lately pay'd the Ballance of the Fort S[t]. David Merchants Accounts, we wrote them to know whether their Merchants would provide Twenty thousand Pagod[s]. worth of Goods, to be pay'd for on the arrivall of our Ships from Europe to which they answered they desired to know the Sortment which are now Agreed to be.

Peices 8,000. Long Cloth Ordinary. Eight Thousand Peices.

8000. Sallampores Ordinary. Eight Thousand Peices.

The remainder in 40 and 50 Cov[ds]. Betteelaes. and that they are forthwith advised thereof.

The Warehousekeeper being ordered to sell the Europe wine at Outcry not under a Pagoda a Gallon, which he now reports none offered more then 27 and 28 Fanams a Gallon upon which none was sold.

Mess[rs]. Raworth and Frederick acqnaints us that amongst M[r] Meads Papers there was a Bond of Four Hundred Pag[s]. found due from Timapau which he averrs is pay'd, tho' nothing appears thereof amongst M[r] Meads Papers. 'Tis therefore agreed he be sued for the same unless he can prove the Payment.

There often arrising in this Place great Disputes & Demands upon Accounts and Bonds of Ten, twenty and thirty years standing, so that it is next to impossible to decide the same, and it being Generally amongst the Natives, most of which stick a[t] no manner of Villainy, forswaring, lying forgery, or any other vile Action to gain their end, to prevent which, 'Tis Ordered by the Governour and Council that from the first of January next ensuing the Date hereof that no Bond, Bill or Accounts shall be suable for in any of the Courts of Justice or the Choultry of this City that are of a longer standing then seven yeares, provided it can be proved that within the space of y[e] aforesaid seven yeares both Partys have been resident on the Place six months at one and the same time and no demand has

been made of the Debt in the Mayors Court and an Action commenced for the same. Ordered that the Secretary gives notice of the aforesaid Order to the Mayors Court, and puts up the same on all the Gates in the Town in all Languages.

Fort S^t^. David Generall Lett^r^. dat^d^. 30th April now read. Agreed that their Bill of Exchange for Pag^s^. 10,801 : 18 : 4 be pay'd.

Mr Raworth Land Customer payes into Cash Three hundred Pagod^s^.

Agreed that Five hundred Pag^s^ be advanced the Paymast^r^. to defray Charges Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^BLE^ THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT
S^T^. GEROGE &C COUNCIL

S^RS^

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Honble Govern^r^ and Council to goe and Surveigh a parcell of Ground to the Northward of this Town, and give our report in what condition it is in, In order to the same we did goe and measure the Garden which is north of Senr. Nichola Manuchs Garden and it is from East to West One hundred Fifty one yards ⅔ Long. Breadth being North and South is one hundred forty two yards and ⅓ the said Garden has in it a small old building which is of no more value then it's Bricks which may be worth Twenty Pagodas, at this time this ground is Lett for Thirty two Pagod^s^, ℔ Annum, and is usually call'd the Elephant Garden.

The other Ground begins at the North end of Manuches Wall, and so goes along nearest a Parallel to the High road that Leads towards Tandore. The Length is North One Thousand Nine hundred eighty five yards. This Ground as we are informed when it is made fit for Paddy to be sowed what wth. the Charge and the Charges upon it by the time the Grain is Housed there is no Profit gained thereon. Fort S^t^. George May 7th. 1706.

MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROB^T^. ATKINSON.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM [ORONKOY]
ZRE MAHAW RAJAH LEELAW [AT ATO]HEEN
DATED 2^D^. MARCH 170$\frac{5}{6}$ & REC^D^. [.] MAY 1706.

Your Honour has doubtless before this been [informed] of the unfortunate troubles that has happen'd here to M[es^rs^. Griffith] and Delton, who brought it upon themselves, for that their king passed by severall Outrages they often committed, till such time as they left the shore and went on board their Ships, w^n^. they stop'd and tooke all they mett with for two months together, all which we patiently bore through the esteem we had for yor. Company, and finding the troubles daily increasing, we were forced for our own defence to betake ourselves to Armes, for that whatever came in their way they destroyed by fire or sword so as the old saying is, he that throwed a stone up in the air is in danger of having it fall upon his head, is their case, we would never have offered to have Acted contrary to our Cowle had not meer necessity for our own safetys enforced us to it, we are still

very willing to observe our Cowle, but hope yor. hon^{r}. will take care what sort of People you send to us for y^{e}. future, who instead of Acting for the Creditt and Honour of y^{e}. Nation brings a discreditt and contempt upon it.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM THE SHABANDER OF ATCHEEN. REC^{D}. 8TH. MAY 1706.

Your Honour will questionless have before hand learnt the troubles that has happen'd here to M^{r}. Griffith & [Mr.] Deltons meanes during the time of their being ashore they committed severall Outrages, and when they got aboard Ship they not only seized and tooke whatever they could lay hands on for two months together, but destroyed by Fire and Sword severall of our Garrisons, not so much as sparing man or Child, and naild down all our Guns, all which we bore with patience thro' the esteem and Friendship we had for your Honour and your Company, and the more we suffered the more they putt upon us, till at last we were obliged to resent them accordingly, we were not the first that Acted contrary to our Cowle, so desire w^{n}. you send any one to Reside here, let them be better qualified for such an undertaking then the last [. . .] prove a discreditt to your Hon^{r}. The Corres[pondence] formerly between us occasions my writing the same which I had done sooner, but that I have had a great deal of business upon my Hands.

The Following order was signed by the Govern^{r}. and Council :— 17TH

The Kings Duan having wrott me that he had occasion for money to pay for the King's Elephants, so desired me to advance him the Town Rent money, which is due the first of July, I am of opinion to do it, for that I can see no inconveniency thereby, but will be a peice of Service of him, who has alwayes showed himself Freindly to us on all occasions, your opinions herein is desired. Fort S^{t}. George 17th May 1706.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM FRASER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOM^{S}. FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 23^{D}.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}. GOVERN^{r}. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

M^{r}. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Acco^{ts}. for the month of April last.

M^{r}. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Accounts for the month of April last, and payes into Cash Three thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	P. 2403 :	18 :	10.
Custom on Grain	„ 51 :	26 :	52.
Anchorage	„ 24 :	18 :	—
	P. 2479 :	26 :	62.

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Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Accot. for the month of April last, as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and works for Ditto time.

Charges Garrison	Pa.	1325.	8	—.
Charges Dyett and allowances		366 :	20.	70
Stores		84 :	13.	10
Charges Cattle		33 :	1 :	—
Horse Furniture		150 :	:	:
Charges Extraordinary		1 :	35 :	—
Account Presents		35 :	20	—
Charges Generall		343 :	19	—
Fortifications and repairs		164 :	8	—
Vizagapatam		32 :	12	—
West Coast		24 :	15	—
Rising Sun Smack		107 :	—	—
	Pags.	2668 :	8 :	—

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges of the Black Town Wall and works.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Accounts for the month of April last.

The following Generall Letters received were all now read :—

From the Governr. of York Fort dated 25th. February last, advising their having drawn Bills of Exchange on us for Dolls. 3730. which is agreed now to be pay'd.

From the Generall and Council of Bombay datd. [*Lacuna*].

Mr. Addison and Mr. Bradshaw appear'd before us this day, who propose to Hyre Ship Nathaniel Capt. Dennis Comander for a Voyage to Bengall and Persia and offered Four thousand five hundred Pagodas, who were answered that we would consider of it, and return an answere by the Secretary.

We considering the necessity there would be of dispatching the Loyall Cooke and Loyall Merchant in October next having been so long out of England, and fearing we shall not have Goods more then to Load those two Ships, we think it the Companys Interest to Lett out for Freight for Bengall and Persia their Ship Nathaniel, for which there has been proposalls as before mentioned, upon Debate of which 'tis Agreed that we demand Five thousand five hundred Pagodas, and to bring Wine and Horses as former Ships, and the Secretary to acquaint Messrs. Addison and Bradshaw of the same.

Agreed that Twelve Chests of Clarrett be sent to Bengall we having not occasion for the same here.

There being great Scarsity of Fanams, Tis Agreed that the Warehousekeeper buys one Thousand Pagods. of Silver and deliver the same to the Mintmaster to be coined into Fanams, and that the President payes out of Cash for ye same.

Agreed to proceed in hearing the cause between Mrs. Pitt & Mr. Abendana on Saturday morning next at seven a Clock and that the Secretary acquaints them the same and order ye Register of the Mayors Court to attend with all Bookes and Papers relating thereto.

The Company owing money to their Merchants here, & we not being able to sell their copper unless it be at a very low rate: 'Tis therefore Agreed that for the supplying our present occasions that we take up Ten thousand Pagos. at Interest for two months at 9 ℔ Cent, it not being procureable under.

Agreed that Five Thousand Pagodas be pay'd Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees in part of Callicoes brought into ye Warehouse, as soon as we are in Cash.

Peter de Pomera Arrack Farmer delivers in a Petition the purport thereof being to represent the hard bargain he has of that Farme and requesting that

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we'l add the Wine Licence to it for the same Rent, of which having considered and beleiving he getts very little if any thing by the Arrac Farme, 'Tis Agreed that if he will give Two hundred and Fifty Pagodas ⅌ annum for the Wine Licence to commence from the 25th. of March last, that we Lett the same during the remaining part of the time he has in the Arrack Farme, and that the Secretary acquaints him of the same.

Ordered that the Secretary acquaints the Widdow Dup[ois] that she may Rent the Garden she now possesses at Thirty Pagods. ⅌ annum for five years, during which time she must Plant what Trees are yearly requisite, and for the Paddy Ground she may hold it according to the Custom of the Country paying the Company half the produce [but] be obliged to keep the high ways in repair adjoining.

Ordered that Messrs. Martin and Raworth deliver to Messrs. Hunt and Addison Mr. Mountagues scrutore they being his Attorneys.

Henry Davenport Secretary reads his Account Fees for Passes for the month of March and April last, and payes into Cash Five Pagods. 12 fans. on that Account.

Agreed that Six month's Town Conicoplyes Duty be pay'd to Mannangapau.

Mr. William Fraser Accountant reads his Journall parcells of Accounts for the month of March last.

Ordered that Francisco Rodregues deLema be entertain'd one of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison.

THO. PITT.
WILL. FRASER.
THO. WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.

Received ⅌ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 4th Instant, and two Letters from Mr. Faucett at Maddapollam datd. 6th and 11th Instant. 23d.

Ketch Vinkettee Latchma arrived from Jaffanapatam. 24th

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

SATURDAY 25th

Mr. Thomas Wright pay'd into the Rt. Honble. United Comps. Cash yesterday the sum of Two Thousand Pagodas at Interest at Nine ⅌ Cent ⅌ Annum payable in two months; being for the Account of the Creditors of Messrs Griffith and Bugden.

Capt Richard Rawlings pay'd into Cash Yesterday the sum of Five Thousand Pagodas at Interest at Nine ⅌ Cent ⅌ Annum for two months.

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This day as appointed we heard the Cause between Mr. Abendana and Mrs. Sarah Pitt, in which we made Considerable progress, but not being able to finish it; 'Tis agreed we defer it to our next meeting.

THO. PITT.
WILL. FRASER.
THO. WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 30th.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

The Council in Bengall having in their last letter wrote us to send them One thousand Candy of Redwood, Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do provide the same.

Capt. Benjamin Dennis Commander of Ship Nathaniel ys. day delivered in a Petition requesting his Charterparty money being 750 Dollars, Agreed the same be pay'd him, and his Petition is as enter'd after this Consultation.

The Arrac Farmer being this day again before us, and making heavy complaints what a hard bargain he has which induced us to Agree to his having the Wine Licence for Two Hundred Pagodas a year to commence from the 25th March last, and to continue during the remaining part of his Lease that he holds the Arrac Farme and no longer.

Messrs Addison, Lister and Bradshaw having been acquainted the 23d. of last month by the Secretary on wt termes we expected the Hyre of the Nathaniel for a voyage to Bengall and Persia and so back hither, was this day again before us, urgeing that what we demanded the Voyage would not bear it, which they had very well considered, but in regard there was no going into those Seas but in a Europe Ship, by reason of the Arrabs who daily increase in these insolvencys they were willing to give Four Thousand Eight Hundred Pagodas, who after some Debate were brought to agree for Five Thousand, and to bring ffour Horses, with seventy Chests of Wine and Rosewater ffreight free from the Company.

We were not wanting to observe that Five thousand Pagodas payes little more then two-thirds of the Ship Demmorage for a twelve months but considering that the Freight is pay'd here, and the advantage made thereon by the Company for England, with the two and a halfe ℔ Cent pay'd upon the Cargo at Gombroone, also their having Freight free the Horses and Wine, with the Custom to be pay'd on what they bring back will more then pay the Demmorage, likewise gives Life to the Trade of this Port, which seems inclinable to dwindle, and had not the Ship been Employed in this manner must have lay'd by the Walls.

The 14th. Instant Mr. Raworth and Mr Frederick who has ye. charge of Collecting Mr. Meads Estate acquainted us that they found amongst his Papers a Mortgage Bond for Four Hundred Pagodas Lent Timapau, about which this day Tirra Venga Lamma Widdow Petitioned us as Entered after this Consulta-

tion setting forth that it was her money and only made use of Mr, Meads name, which is very common in these Parts, and that she had sent her Bond with [the] Court Fees to Mr. Mead to sue for, and recover the same, wch. was averred by severall Persons, and some of good reputation. The consideration of which affairs is deferred to our next meeting but order'd in the mean time that the Register surch the Court Bookes, whether Mr. Mead commenced a sute for that Bond and whether Messrs. Raworth and Frederick can find in his Bookes that he had received Court Fees for the same as promissed in the petition and report in next Consultation.

Generall Letter to the United Council in Bengall dated yesterday now read and approved.

Agreed to send Mr. Thomas Faucett at Maddapollam the sũm of One Hundred Pagodas by two Peons on Boat being towards the charge of putting down the old Factory.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Hon:ble. United Companys One thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Willm. Martin Paymaster towards defraying Charges Garrison.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
W: Wright.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho. Frederick.

To The Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
Governour and President for
Affairs of the Rt. Honble. United
English East India Company on the Coast
[of] Choromandell &c Council of
Fort St. George.

May it Please your Honr. &ca.

Whereas in the Charterparty Indented between the Rt. Honble. United English East India Compa. and Gregory Page &c Owners of Ship Nathaniel, there is a clause reserving to the Commander of say'd Ship liberty to receive out of the Companys Cash in India, the sũm of seven hundred and fifty Dollars provided that the Rt. Honble. Company detains said Ship in India after the 31st. of January 1705. wch. time being expired, and having occasion for such a sũm for the service of the Ship, humbly desire your Honr. would be pleased to pay the same to.

Honble. Sr. &c.

Fort St. George,
28th May 1706.

Yor. most Obedt. humble. Servant
Benjamin Denn[is].

To the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President for Affairs of the Rt.
Honble. United English East India
Company on the Coast of Choromandell
and Governour of Fort St. George.

The humble Petition of Tirrey Venga Lamma Widdow,
Most humbly sheweth.

That about six or seven years agoe Timapau came to your Petitioner and acquainted her that Pattasome a Merchant had Lent to Maddama a Widdow

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the sũm of Four hundred Pagodas for security of which [she] had Mortgaged her Houses to him, and Pattasome being [at] that time in want of his money, Timmaupau proposed to your Petitionerato Lend him the aforesaid sũm of Four hundred Pagod^s. and that the Mortgage of the Houses shou^d: be made over to your Petitioner, and that she should have the Interest due thereon, besides a consideration for her serv[ice] which induced your Petitioner to comply there-with, [but] Timmapau adviced her to take the Mortgage Bond ([she] being a Woman) up in M^r. Meads name, who was his Particular Friend, which accordingly was done, and the 400 Pagod^s. pay'd by your Petitioner when Timapau deliver'd to her one Bond in English, and one Cajan, some time after having occasion for the money requested Timapau to recover it, who demanded of her the Court Charges, which she pay'd to him in 12 or 13 Pagod^s. and at the same time deliver'd to him both y^e. Bonds which were carryed and allowed of in Court, all which by severall Witness your Petitioner can make plainly appear. Upon M^r. Meads death your Petitioner demanded the Mortgage Bond of Timapau, which were refused to be delivered him by M^r. Meads Attorneys without your Hon^r's. possitive order for the same, your Hon^r. cannot but be sensible that 'tis a Generall Custom amongst the Gentues when they Lend money for their security they take up Bonds in English Names, which is your Petitioners case, and is well known to M^r. Warr, so request your Honour will be pleased to take it into your serious consideration, and bestow your Justice and favour upon a Poor distressed Widdow, in ordering either the Bonds to be delivered up to her, or the Four Hundred Pagodas wth. the Interest due thereon, to be pay'd her for that on yor. Hon^r., lyes your Petitioners onely Hopes and dependance for Justice.

And as in duty bound shall ever Pray.

[JUNE] p^mo. Ship Buckhurst Capt. Hamilton Commander arrived in this Road from Suratt.

Ship Vinte Gurry Capt. Franks Commandr^r. arrived in this road from Suratt.
Ship Restoration Capt. Walton Command^r. arrived from the Mallabar Coast.

3^d. Ship Hussan Hodjie Ameer Noquedah saild for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 5TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R AND PRESIDENT.

WILLLAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account Cash for the month of May last, Ballance Pagodas 2429·32·2.

M^r. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Acco^ts. Remains ending ultimo April last.

There being more Wheat and Horse Gram in the Warehouse then what is necessary for the Garrison ; Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sells half of each.

Jappan Copper bearing no Price on this Coast, for that brought by the Toddington having been put up to Outcry when some few Lotts went off at Pagod^s. 48 ℔ Candy, but presently fell to 47 and under, and few or no bidders,

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upon which the sale was deferred, and since there having been some small Parcells sold at 46 : and under, and we see no likehood of its riseing, we think it the Companys Interest to send it to Bengall it selling there for Twenty five Rupees a maund, which will come out about Fifty Pagodas ℔ Candy, so 'tis resolved and ordered that the Warehousekeeper Loads on the Nathaniel bound thither Two hundred Candy of Coppar, and a Chest of drinking Glasses.

We having again considered of the Bond for Four hundred Pagodas claimed by the Widdow Terra Vengama Lamma taken in Mr. Meads name, and found amongst his Papers after his Death, but in regard it lay so many years without being recovered or demanded by Mr. Mead, and for what has been averred by severall People who have taken their Oaths thereto very solemnly in their Pagoda (the substance of wch. with the Translate is Lodged in the Secretarys Office) all which induces us to beleive that the Bond does belong to the Widdow, so 'tis unanimously agreed that Messrs. Raworth and Frederick deliver the Bond to the Governour, and he to deliver it to Narrain for the Account of the Widdow before mentioned.

Mr. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of May last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pag .	366 : 32 : 55
Ruby Broakers		146 : 33 : 28
Town Broakers		34 : 12 : 25
Registring Slaves		2 : 8 : —
	Pags.	550 : 14 : 28

Ponagetto Narso, &c Tobacco and Beetle Farmers payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve Fanams on that Account.

A Letter to the Orumkey &c at Atcheen now read and approved and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that Lewis Perera and John Vandermeiden of the Gunroome be Discharged and that Remmo Perarer [&] Antony Rebeira are Entertaind as Souldiers in ys. Garrison.

Tho : Pitt.
Will : Fraser.
M : Empson.
W : Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.

To the Oronkoy Zrek Mahaw Rajah
Leelaw at Atcheen, dated 4th June 1706.

I received your Letter of the 2d. March which you sent by Agga Neura before which was severall Vessells arrived here from your Port who gave us an Account, tho' an imperfect one of the troubles you had given our People, but whether you or they were the Aggressors we want to be informed, for from Mr. Griffith we have not had one Line and tho' Mr. Delton arrived at Place on this Coast called Vizagapatam and went thence to Bengall, the Letter he wrott us thence was so short and imperfect that we can make no Judgement thereof, but from that Letter and all reports, we hear the first begining of these troubles was that your King seiz'd an English Ship with her Effects, extorted considerable sums of money from Mr. Griffith Mr. Delton and severall other English, and afterwards lead designs to take away their Lives which made them have recourse to that desperate undertaking which we wish either

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by your Justice or their Prudence had been avoided, Mr. Griffith and Mr. Bugden you know was sent hence to settle at your Port, and with them considerable Effects, which is reported to be seized, and Embezled by you, the Amount not less then Twenty thousand Tale, and Mr. Delton had severall consignments belonging to the English, which he wrott us had mett with the same Fate. Therefore by the first Ship bound to this Port you will do well to remitt whatever effects they have left in your Country with a Particular Account thereof which we shall Creditt your Port for, having already Debted you for the abuses and Injustices sustained, and when we are thorowly informed of the truth of this unhappy affair, we shall either send Persons to resettle at your Port, or proceed to take such measures as to do our selves Justices. This comes by Coja Arratoone and Coja Simoone who are Armenians that live under our Government here, and can inform you of the Honr. and Justice practiced in our Government and the resentments we have against those who do otherwayes by us.

I desire what Letters you write may be in the Persian Language, we having none in these parts that can read Malays.

THOMAS PITT.

The same Contents of this Letter was wrott to the Shabander of Atcheen.

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

TUESDAY [THURSDAY] 6TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

This day arriving the Frederick Capt. Wynn Commandr. from Bombay and brought us a Letter from Sr. Nicholas Waite and Council which only advices that they had ordered the Ship to call in here to deliver a Packet for the Rt. Worpll. Mannagers which we received, and advise that they had Laden on the Ship for Bengall Eighteen Chests of Europe Treasure which made us call to mind the Honble. Mannagers Orders to us in last years Generall Letter which was to Coine all the Silver for Bengall, for that they thought it not safe to adventure it to Rajammaul Mint, which reason is stronger now then it was then, for that the Government has intirely stop't up the Port of Suratt, and 'tis much to be feared they may do the same in Bengall, which reason besides other apparent advantages to the Company induced us to give the Order (as Entered after this Consultation) to the Commander of the Ship to send for his Bengall Packet ashore; which when we have perused, shall resolve what to do in this matter.

The Officers complaining that the Cass of Armes where the free Guard Souldiers Lodge at nights is very much out of repair.

Ordered that the Paymaster Messrs. Raworth and Frederick with the Gunner, Carpenter and Bricklayer do surveigh it and report what condition they find it in, that so it may be repaired before the Raines.

Messrs. Raworth and Frederick now delivers to the Governr. the Mortgage Bond for Pagodas Four Hundred belonging to the Widdow Terra Vengama Lamma found amongst Mr. Meads Papers.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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To CAPT. JOHN WYNN COMANDR.
OF SHIP FREDERICK.

You having on board you a Packet from Sr. Nicholas Waite &c Council of Bombay Directed to the United Council in Bengall, you are hereby ordered to send for the same ashore, and deliver it us, The Rt. Honble. United Companys Affairs requiring our opening it. Fort St. George 6th. June 1706.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM FRASER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 7TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

This morning we mett to open the Bombay Packet to Bengall wherein we found an Invoice of the Eighteen Chests of Treasure Amounting to Rupees 149334: 14 ps. which for the reasons in yesterdays Consultation we ordered the Commander immediately to Land it here, as he should receive Directions from the Warehousekeeper (our order to the Commander is as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper so soon as receives the Fredericks Treasure on shore that he with Messrs. Raworth, Frederick and two Assay-masters weigh the same to the Mintmaster who is to appropriate one Chest thereof to coining Fanams and the rest into Rupees with all expedition.

There being going a Ship speedily to Bengall, agreed that we advise the Council there, what we have done in this affair and send them Copy of the Bombay Letter, and the Originall to goe by the Ship with the Treasure.

This day as appointed was examined the Account between Mr. Abendana and Mrs. Pitt, which is ordered to be drawn up as we have agreed it, by Messrs. Hunt and Bynion and afterwards to be laid before us, for our Finall deturmination thereof.

There having been a great dispute between Capt. Plumbe and Capt. Heron the latter as Attorney for Mr. Ford having made some Windows, which Plumb conceives ought not to be done being an annoyance to his House, about wch. the Governour having been often troubled and he now represents it, therefore Agreed to preserve the Peace of ye. Town that Messrs. Wright, Empson, and Martin appoint Capt. Heron and Capt. Plumbe to meet them to view what complained of, and that afterwards they represent the same, with their opinion, to the Governour and Council that so it may be forthwith decided.

Senhr. John Domingos delivered in a Petition which was read, the consideration of which deferred to another meeting.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of May last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Two hundred Pagods. twenty fanams for coinage of Gold and further payes the Warehousekeeper Rupees Nine hundred and eight and four annas.

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Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W . MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO . FREDERICK.

TO CAPT. JOHN WYNN COMANDR.
OF SHIP FREDERICK.

You are hereby ordered to send ashore the Eighteen Chests of Treasure Loaded on board you by Sr. Nicholas Waite &c. Council at Bombay, on the Rt. Honble. United Companys Account, and consigned to the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall for which we will deliver you up your Bills of Loading, and reship the same when coined. Fort St. George 7th. June 1706.

THOMAS PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.

6 Ship Mossee Coja Arratoone Noquedah saild out of this Road bound to Atcheen.

9TH Ship Buckhurst Capt. Hamilton Comander saild out of this Road for Bengall.

— Vinte Gurry Capt. Franks Comander saild out of this road for Bengall.

12 Ship Charlton Capt. Richard Radcliffee Comandr. saild for Bengall.

— Ship Silvian Capt. Phillips Comander saild for Bengall.

— Ship Rahajee Auga Jaffer Noquedah saild for Pollicatt.

13 Ship Crown Capt. Perring Comandr. saild for Bengall.

— Ship Restoration saild for Bengall.

— Ketch Vinkettee Latchma saild for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 13TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ.R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

There being Forty Tons one hundred and one quarter of Lead sent on the Nathaniel from the West Coast, ordered that the Warehousekeeper continues it on board consigning it to Bengall, we having a considerable quantity here.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper Loads 200 Candy, or what more remains of the Copper brought by the Todington, on Ship Frederick for Bengall, with Four hundred Candy of Redwood as also two hundred Candy of Redwood on Ship Nathaniel.

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Messrs. Martin, Raworth and Frederick this day delivered in their report of the condition of the Cass of Armes, which is as Entered after this Consultation, the consideration of which is deferred to another time.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 6th. Instant now read.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. Willm. Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Abdull Nubby the Governour of Chellumbrum having showed severall marks of his Freindship in promoting the Interest of the Companys Affairs, we few months past, ordered the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David to make him a Present of Five hundred Pagodas, and supposeing money might be most acceptable to him, we ordered yt. Amount to be sent which was accordingly done (as they advised thence) by Mr. Berlue who returned with the money acquainting the Deputy Governour and Council He had refused accepting thereof and hinted to him that he would rather have it, in curiositys, and we thinking it necessary to preserve his ffreindship, 'Tis ordered that the Warehousekeepr. lay's out to the Amount of Five hundred Pagodas, or thereabouts in Gold and Silver wrought Plate, such things as may be acceptable to him, and that it be sent to Fort St. David by the first conveniency.

Mr. Thomas Wright in behalfe of himself &ca. Creditors of Messrs. Henry Griffith and Charles Bugden represent to us that some time past by Virtue of a Warrant out of the Mayors Court, they had Attached Five hundred forty four Pagodas, and two fanams in Mr. Matthew Empson and Mrs. Mary Fleetwoods hands, which was accordingly pay'd into the [Register] but for want of Attorneys, there having been no Court held for some time; Tis therefore ordered that the Register pays the aforesaid sum̃ to Mr. Thomas Wright &ca. unless he can assign reasons to the contrary.

Mr. Thomas Wright likewise attached in Capt. Perrings hands on his own right Three hundred eighty Nine Pagodas twenty four fanams, being in part of what due to him from William Walker Deceased as ℘ his Bond, which sum̃ is likewise pay'd into the Register and remains in his hands for the reasons before mentioned, which we order likewise to be pay'd him, unless he can assign a reason to the contrary, and this to be signified to him by the Secretary.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper delivers to the Storekeeper One hundred Candy of Salt Petre to refine to [lye ready] upon occasion to make Gun Powder.

The Contract and Agreement between the President and Council and Freighters of Ship Nathaniel now read, and signed, and are as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that Andrew de Soosa and Matthew Johnson of the Gunroome Crew be Discharged.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Wm: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

To the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President &c. Council for Affairs
of the Rt. Honble. United English
East India Company.

Honble. &ca. Srs.

We have pursuant to your orders survey'd the Cass of Armes, the Walls of which we find so sunk, and crack'd, and Beams which support the Terrass so

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rotten in the Wall that 'tis our opinions it will be in Vain to endeavour the reparation of it, and that it will be a much less charge to the Honble. Company im̃ediatly to demolish and rebuild it. We are

Honble. S^{rs} &c^{a}.
Your Obed^{t}. humble Servants

Fort S^{T}. George.,
June 13TH 1706.

William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.

14 This morning early saild Six Ships to the Northward who all saild by this Port to the Southward, some distance off wth the Dutch.

Contract and Agreement by and between the Honble President and Council of Fort S^{t}. George for Account of the R^{t}. Honble United English East India Company and Messrs. Gulston Addison, Joseph Lister, and Henry Bradshaw &c Freighters of Ship Nathaniel burden Two hundred and ffifty Tons,or thereabouts, Benjamin Dennis Commander now riding in the road of Madrass, according to Charterparty made between the R^{t}. Honble United English East India Company, and her owners in England dated the Thirteenth day of October one Thousand seven hundred and four which said Charterparty with and every its Tonnage Priviledge under obligations: We the said President and Council do assign and make over unto the said Gulston Addison, Joseph Lister and Henry Bradshaw &c^{a}. Freighters to have the sole Lad[ing] and Freightment thereof to the Port of Fort William in Bengall from thence to Gombroone in Persia, for the consideration, and [sum] of Five thousand Pagodas Currant money of Madrass to be pay'd by the said Gulston Addison, Joseph Lister and Henry Bradshaw &c^{a}. Freighters their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, unto the said President and Council, or their Successors, within Thirty dayes after the arrivall here of the said Ship from Gombroone in Persia without any abatement deducting for allowances of short Tonnage, and that she be Dispatched so early from Bengall as to gain her Passage to Gombroone in Persia, and arrive here by the Fifteenth day of August One Thousand Seven hundred and seven, and if she stays longer the said Freighters allowing and paying her Charterparty Demorage for so many day's as she arrives after the said 15th day of August 1707. And it is further Agreed by and between the President and Council and the ffreight[ers] of the aforesaid Ship, that they bring Freight free from Persia for Account of the R^{t}. Honble United English East India Company Four Horses and Seventy Chests of Wines, if the Companys Cheif there shall put them on board. In Witness whereof we the President and Council for Account and in behalf of the R^{t}. Honble United English East India do hereby oblige ourselves on the one part, and Messrs. Gulston Addison, Joseph Lister and Henry Bradshaw for themselves and in the behalfe of the Freighters of said Ship on the other part, having hereunto interchangebly sett our Hands and Seals at Fort S^{t}. George in the city of Madrass this Thirteenth day of June One Thousand seven hundred and Six.

Thomas Pitt.
William Fraser.
Thomas Wright.
Matthew Empson.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.

16 Ship Anne Capt. Walton Com^{r}. sail'd for Emoy in China.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. MONDAY 17TH
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Last night we received a Generall Letter from Vizagapatam which advised of Mr. Frewen's Cheif of that Place Dyed on the 30th past month, Agreed that Mr. Francis Hastings remains there Provissionary Cheif till the Europe Ships arrive, that we may know the Companys pleasure about the Settlement.

Mr. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Accounts for the month of May last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Fifteen hundred Pagods. on Accot. Goods sold.

Mr. Robert Raworth Land Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Five Hundred Pagods. on Accot. Land Customs.

Agreed that Four Hundred Pagods. be advanced the Dyers towards dying of Blew Callicoes.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster towards defraying Charges Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO :WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Resolution Capt. Hart comr. saild for the West Coast. 18

The following Note was signed by the Governour and Council : 25

There is now ready in the Mint Fifty thousand Rupees of the Companys, which would be a good peice of Service to them to send it down by ship Nathaniel, that so the Gentlemen in Bengall may be making an early provission for the Dispatch of Ship Frederick for Europe,' Tis my opinion it be done & yours is li[ke]wise desired.

THOMAS PITT.

If the Warehouse keeper is well to see it done. } WILLIAM FRASER.

THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.

Ship Nathaniel Capt. Benjamin Dennis Commander saild last night for Bengall and Persia, by whom sent a Packet to the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall datd. [*Lacuna*]. 26

Ship Essex Capt. Punt Comandr. saild for Bengall and Judda.

Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from Mr. Thomas Faucett at Maddapollam dated 12th. Instant. 27

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Present

THURSDAY 27TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR.	GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of May last Vizt.

Custom on Grain	P. 13 : 1 : 20
Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	2835 : 2 : 58
Anchorage	22 : 18 : —
	Pags. 2870 : 21 : 78

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of One Thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Here being a Danes Sloop going hence to Fort St. David Agreed that the Present to Abdull Nubby be sent by her, if it can be got ready before her departure, and two Casks of Goa Arrac for their expences.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper Ships on board the Frederick the remaining part of the Rupees now in the Mint.

Generall Letter from Mr. Thomas Faucett at Maddapollm. Dated 12th. Instant now read.

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Accounts for the month of May last, as also his Accounts of the Black Town Wall and works Vizt.

Charges Garrison	P. 1255 : 28 : —
Charges Dyett and allowances	356 : 24 : —
Stores	92 : 32 : —
Charges Cattle	40 : 17 : —
Charges Extraordinary	10 : 3 : —
Accounts Presents	4 : 29 : —
Charges Generall	303 : 29 : —
Fortifications and repairs	156 : 18 : —
Rising Sun Smack	13 : 15 : —
	Pagods 2234 : 15 : —

and Agreed that one Thousand Pagods. be advanced him towards defraying Charges Garrison.

Messrs. Wright &ca. do now deliver in their report of Silver received ℘ Ship Frederick from Bombay, which is as Entered after this Consultation.

Mr. Robert Raworth and Mr. Thomas Frederick do now deliver in their Account Currant of Mr. Matthew Mead Decds. Estate and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of One Hundred forty three Pagodas Nine fanams and thirteen Cash, as the Ballance of said Matthew Meads Estate, and also deliver into the Secretary's Office all Bookes and Papers belonging to him.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
JUNE 1706.

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We the Subscribers being by order of the Honble. President and Council to see the Eighteen Chests of Silver received from Bombay ℘ Ship Frederick open'd and weighed wch. accordingly we have done, and find them to come out according to Invoice excepting the following two Chests which were firm and good, but the baggs. rotten Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dwt.		lb.	oz.
Chest No. 103 weighs	289 :	7 :	15 wants	... ...		3
146 Ditto	272 :	11 :	5 Ditto	... ...	5 :	2 :
				... ...		
				lb.	5 :	5.

THOMAS WRIGHT.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOM^{s}. FREDERICK.
ROBERT COPPIN.
FRANCIS COOKE.

Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 25th Instant. 28

This evening past by this Port Four large Dutch Ships to the Northward.

Briggantine Endeavour Capt. Samuel Hart Comãnder arrived in this Road from Battavia. 30

Ship S^{t}. Johanna de Canturbury Senh^{r}. Ignatius Marcos Commander belonging to Armenians saild out of this road for Manilha. JULY p^{mo}.

Danes Sloop Tertius Quintus saild for Trincombar. 2

Ship Frederick Capt. Wynn Com^{r}. saild for Bengall. 4

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY 6TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^{t}. for the month of June last, and payes into the R^{t}.Honble. United Companys Cash Eighty one Pagodas twenty one fan^{s}. for Gold coined in the Mint, and further payes to y^{e}. Warehouse-keeper Four Hundred fifty two Rup^{s}. 5^{fs} for Custom on Silver coined.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of June last Ballance being Pagod^{s}. 4857 : 1.

Peter de Pomera &^{c}. Arrac Farmers payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Twelve hundred Pagod^{s}. on that Account.

Ponagetto Narso &c^{a}. Tobacco and Beetle farmers payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagod^{s}. twelve fanams on that Account.

Messrs. Thomas Wright &^{ca}. delivered in their report this day about the difference between Capt. Plumbe and Capt. Fort, which is as Entered after this Consultation, the consideration of it is deferred to our next meeting.

This day the Casts were summoned to know what they had done towards the raising of the money to reimburse the Company for building the Black Town Wall and Works, about which they had been consulting about nine and 10 months, but gave no other answere then formerly pleading poverty, and such

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like excuses so the Governour produced a Paper wherein he had Assest the Casts upwards of Eight thousand Pagodas, being in proportion to what was done formerly, for the raising money to build the Town Wall, which Paper was Agreed to (and is as Entered after this Consultation) and that the Braminy should give the heads of every Cast, w^t^. they were assest and to consider of it till Thursday next, when all to appear before the Governour and Council, and then declare whether they had any exceptions thereto.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of June last Viz^t^.

	Pags.
Choultry Custom	393 : 14 :
Rubie Broakers	10 : 13 : 75
Town Broakers	4 : 21 : 75
Registring Slaves	1 : 12 :
Pag^s^.	409 : 25 : 70

Agreed that One Thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r^. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash the Sum̃ of one thousand Pagodas on Account Goods sold out of the Warehouse.

Ordered that Benth Mark, Diago Garmash, Thomas Revera, Meavell deSera, are Entertain'd of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT &C^A^ COUNCIL.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

In persuance to an order of Consultation dated the 7th. Instant, we the Subscribers went to y^e^. Houses of Capt. Thomas Plumbe, and Capt. Ford, and viewd the windowes of Capt. Ford which lookes into the Ground of Capt. Plumbe, and find by the Testimony of M^r^. Glover, and by circumstances that the Windowes were put in by Permission of those that formerly Dwelt in Capt. Plumbs House, and with submission to your Hon^rs^. &c^a^ better Judgement we give it as our opinions that said windowes ought to be stop'd up and that Capt. Plumbe remove both his Houses of offices lately made into some other Place, where they may not offend Capt. Fords House, and that he does likewise alter his new Pent House, so that it does not damage Capt. Fords wall in the time of the raines. We are,

FORT S^T^. GEORGE,
29TH JUNE 1706.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^

Your most hum^ble^. Servants
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.

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An Assestment proposed by the Governour and Council to be raised to pay for the Building of the Black Town Wall and works.

	Pags
Portuguez	3300
Armenians	600
Chittee Cast	2000
Moormen	300
Quomitty Cast	800
Vellom Warr Cast	200
Bellejee Warr Cast	350
Ganlewar Cast alias Oylemen	400
Gellawannee Warr Cast alias Shopkeepers of Sugar and Limes	100
Aggamoodee Warr Cast alias Brickmakers, &c^a.	400
Comsala Warr Cast alias Goldsmiths	500
Guzaratts	500
Kiculla Warr Cast alias Weavers	20
Charnom Warr Cast alias Conicoplyes	300
Polliwarr Cast alias Docter Leuis Cast	18
Sallawarr Weavers	100
Zoningeewarr alias Chuliars	150
Saccalawarr alias Washermen	100
Gullawarr Cast alias Shepheards	70
Chomboddeewarr Cast alias Fishermen	10
Kyawarr Cast alias Bamboo Cooleys	10
Mongele Warr Cast alias Barbers	20
Vellambilla alias Tonnapas Cast	50
Connadu alias Grass Cutters	25
Jandru alias Toddy people	180
Waudewarr Cast alias Sampsons Cast	100
Sattigurree alias Andee Chittee	200
Comra Warr alias Potmakers	10
Correala warr alias Muckquas	100
Braminys	100
Pottanapwarr alias Cattamaran men	40
Pag^s.	[11053]

Ship Seerian Mary saild to the Southward— 7

AT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 11TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Kittee Narrain payes into the R^t. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Thirteen Hundred Pagodas for one years rent of the New Towns ending ultimo June last.

Agreed that Thirty five Pagodas be pay'd out of Cash for the Cawngoehee Duty for the New Towns and Tevenapatam ending ultimo June last.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper advances Fifteen hundred Pagodas to buy Redwood.

M^r. William Fraser Accomptant reads his Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of May last.

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Agreed that Five Hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. William Martin Pay master to defray Charges Garrison.

All the Casts were this morning before the Governour and Council, who were examined distinctly what sum ye. Braminy had acquainted them they were to Pay, which agreed with the Paper before us, so the Heads were ordered to summon the severall Casts and agreed upon the Assestment in order to raise the sum each Cast is to Pay, and the Heads to appear before the Governour and Council on Thursday next to acquaint us what progress they have made therein.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of One Thousand Pags. on Account Sea Customs.

Mr. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sume of 142685 Fans. which makes Pagods. Three thousand Nine hundred Sixty three and seventeen fanams the produce of silver coined into fanams.

Ordered that Robert Whitehorne, Manuel Macklene, Domingo Rodreques Allemond are Entertain'd of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison, and that John Johnson be Entertain'd a Souldier, and Manuel Perero Souldier be Discharged.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

SATURDAY 13TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR.	GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

We having been informed that the French at Pollicherry have actually sett out a Vessell in the nature of a Sampan to row and sail, and put on board her sixty Europe men well Armed and equipped in every respect, who we suggest is gone to the Southward to Cruize upon this Coast, and we expecting every day our Ships from England, Persia, Battavia, and Moco, some of which we are apprehensive may be surprized by her, and none more in danger then those from England who have of late years arrived with their men very sickly so being desirous to use our utmost endeavours to prevent so great a misfortune not only to those but all other ships bound to the Port, we have upon mature consideration resolved to fitt out the Riseing Eagle Capt. Chamberlain Commander to goe and cruize to the Southward to caution our Ships against falling in with French Vessell aforesaid, so to enable this Ship to cope with Her, 'Tis agreed that Fifty [Souldiers] be put on board of her, and Ten of the Gunroome Crew, sutable, Amunition and Provissions &ca. for such a cruize, and 'tis left to the Governour to Dispatch her with all expedition, and that it be part of his Instruction[s] to cruize till the Tenth of August.

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Agreed that if the Riseing Eagle comes to any misfortune in the aforesaid expedition that the Company payes a moiety of the Loss to the Owners, and the Inhabitants the other moiety in proportion to their subscribtions on the Ships now abroad and expected.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govern[r] and Council of Fort S[t]. David dated 12th Instant. 14TH

Ab[out] 12 Yesterday noone all the Souldiers and Gunners embarked on board [the Riseing Eagle] and the Ship sail'd this morning. 15TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 18TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David dated 12th Instant now read.

The Governour acquaints the Council that he Dispatched the Riseing Eagle the 14th. at Noone, whose Instructions and Commissions relating to that Affair are all now read, and are as Entered after this Consultation.

M[r]. William French delivered in a Petition (which was this day read) for leave to lay down the Companys service, which is Granted him and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced M[r]. Will[m]. Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ship Loyall Cooke and Loyall Merchant just now arriving from Gombroone in Persia by whom received the ffollowing Packets w[ch]. were all now read From Agent Lock &c[a] Council at Spahawn dat[d] 4th March and 29th April. From the Cheif and Council at Gombroone dat[d]. 6th June.

Ordered that the Warehousekeep[r] do immediatly unload what stores is come on Ship Loyall Merchant on the R[t] Hon[ble] United Companys Account.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO CAP[T] JOHN CHAMBERLAIN
COMMAND[R]. OF SHIP RISEING EAGLE.

S[r].

You having been so Generous as to tender us y[e] Service with your Ship to go to the Southward in quest of a Vessell lately fitted out from Pollicherry in the Nature of a Sampan [with] Souldiers and sailers to the number of Sixty which makes us apprehensive they are gone to the Southward to lye off Point Ped[ro] to surprize our Ships, which we daily expect from England, Persia and

other Parts, so having the consent of your Employers for you to go upon this Expedition (which we must esteem a great peice of service to the Company as well as a Generall good to y^e [State]) we have equipped your Ship with Men Amunition & Provissions sutable to your desire, so enjoyn you to follow these Instructions. That upon receipt of this you repair on board your Ship, and immediatly wind and weather permitting weigh your Anchor and use your utmost dilligence to ply to the Southward as far as Point Pedro the Northermost part of Ceilone, and there Cruize too and frow between the shore and Twenty five ffathom [of] water, using your utmost endeavours to speak with all the Shipping, and advise the English, and our Allies of this Samp[an] and caution them from being surprized by them, but be very carefull you fall not in with a French Ship of a greater force then yourself.

We deliver you herewith an open Letter for the Supra Cargoes and Commanders of all English Shipping for yours & their perusall.

You are likewise during this expedition to keep a very good looke out and a strict watch at night, and your ship constantly in a posture of defence, and we can think of nothing so inducive for that Vessell if She sees you to draw near you, as the concealing your Force, which will be as great a Surprize to them, as the intended theirs for others, and we can't doubt if you meet with them, you will give us a good Account of them, and put an end to such designs.

We would not have you call at any Port to the loss of time, but if you goe by Fort S^t. David in the day time we would have you fire two Guns, when if they have any thing materiall to advise you they'l make a waft with their Flagg and send a Boat to you, and if you chance to call at Negapatam you may meet with a Letter from us her[e] if any thing of importance offers, but 'tis our advice you stop no where to hinder your speedy getting to your station. In [Case] your way to which if you should meet with the Sampan, and effectually spoile his Voyage, we then order you immediatly to returne hither, unless you stay to come in Company of some of our Shipping from Negapatam, or thereabouts; & if you should find she has taken any of our Ships, and that you meet with them, we question not but you'l use your utmost endeavours to retake them but pray take care you don't ketch a Tartar.

We here deliver you a Copy of Ensign Hugonins Commission by which you'l find he is to follow your Orders during this expedition and there goes on you a Tandell, who know[es] the Land well all along the Coast and Ceilone, and four Peons which you may put ashore as you see convenient bring us Advices.

You are to Cruize off Point Pedro till the 10th of August unless you meet with the French Sampan as before mentiond and effectually disappoint him in his design and when you returne from your Cruize we would have you call at Negapatam whither we intend to send a Smack to lye and if no newes causes us to alter our measures, she shall goe and Cruize off Ceilone till the middle of Septem^r. if our Affairs require it, and aboard her you shall find our orders relating thereto.

In case any misfortune should happen to you (which God forbid) we order M^r. Rouch to succeed you in your Command till the arrivall of the Ship here, and to follow these our orders.

You will receive with this an Account of the Stores, Amunition and Provissions put on board you, of which we desire great care may be taken, and that you'l appoint Persons to looke after them, and keep an exact Account of the expence thereof, as also the ffifty Pagodas as pay'd you.

There are many unforeseen accidents that may happen in this Expedition, which we can't provide for in these our Instructions, so it must be left to your Prudence, but what we most earnestly recommend is your speedy getting to y^e.

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Southward into the Track of our ships, and if it happens to be in your Power effectually to destroy the Enemy who have formed designs to the ruin of our Affairs and [this] is your Commission for so doing. Dated in Fort S^t^. George this Fourteenth day of July One Thousand Seven hundred and Six.

THOMAS PITT.

TO ENSIGN FRANCIS HUGONIN

We having ordered you to goe Chief Officer of the ffifty men we now send on board the Riseing Eagle Capt. Chamberlain Command^r^. upon an expedition to the Southward. This is to Command and enjoyn you to looke well after your men and keep them in good order, and during Voyage you are intirely to obey the orders of Capt. Chamberlain but more especially when come to Action, and who ever else shall succeed him in the Command of the Ship, and this is your Commission for the same. Dated in Fort S^t^. George 14th July 1706.

THOMAS PITT.

TO THE SUPRA CARGOES, AND COMMANDERS OF ALL ENGLISH SHIPPING

We have been lately informed that the ffrench from Pollicherry have set out a Boat in the Nature of a Sampan to row and saile, and forty Souldiers and twenty sailers all Europeans from which we inferr that they are in expectation thereby to surprize our Ships, which may happen to those f[rom] Europe, as well as from any other Parts, so to do our indeavours, to prevent so great a misfortune we have fitted out hence [the] Riseing Eagle Capt. Chamberlain Command^r^. with such a Force who we doubt not but will give a good Account of them if he meets them, and beleiving that they are gone [to] the Southward to lye off the Northermost part of Ceilone [in] the track of our Shipping we have ordered Capt. Chamberlain to make the best of his way to the Southward, and cruize thereabouts where we hope he will get time enough to prevent any of our Shipping falling into their hands, and to caution you all against being surprized by them. If you meet with these Advices off the Northermost part of Ceilone we think it adviseable you stand in for Negapatam where you will meet with Letters of advice from this Place or Fort S^t^. David if any thing has offered materiall since the Date of this. I wish you a safe arrivall at this Port and am

S^r^.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE,
14TH JULY 1706.

Your assured Freind & hum^ble^ Servt.
THOMAS PITT.

TO THE HON^BLE^ THOMAS PITT GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE AND PRESIDENT FOR THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMP^A^. &C. COUNCIL.

Gentlemen

I having now served the Honble Company almost 4 years to my great detriment by loss of time and Expence, do request your permission of laying down the Service that I may (by employing myself in some other parts) regain what I have lost, and you will very much oblige.

S^rs^

FORT S^T^. GEORGE,
JULY 8TH. 1706.

Your most humble Servt.
WILLIAM FINCH.

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To Capt. John Chamberlain Comr. of
Ship Riseing Eagle.

Sr.

This is to advise you that Mr. Raworth and some Gentlemen being this morning at the Mount tell us yt. they saw three saile to the Southward of you, and in a Letter from Fort St. David, 'tis reported that at Pollicherry they saw three saile past to the Northward, now 'tis not improbable [but] they may order their Europe Ships to lye between their Port and this, knowing that ours must drap into their mouths that come from the Southward, besides it may be their Europe Ships that made not the Land till Saddrass, or thereabouts so for God sake looke out well to prevent so great a misfortune as to be snapt by them, by the Peons that puts this on board pray send us word whether you see any Ships to ye Southward of you, if so, tis not unlikely but they are French Ships. But if not, prosecute your voyage yet with great caution & care God speed you well. I am

Sr.

Fort St. George, — Yor. most assured ffreind
16th July 1706. — & humble. Servt.
Thomas Pitt.

To Capt. John Chamberlain
Comr. of Ship Riseing Eagle

This morning I received yours of last nights date, and beleive the Gentlemen at the Mount were mistaken in saying that they saw Ships to the Southward of you. [This] day Noone I received a Letter from Mr. Roberts datd. 15th June in which was the following Clauce. " Since writing the forgoing the French " Vessell saild very near the Shore, and is gone to Pollicherry, she has a main " Mast and foremast with a pair of Courses Two Topsails and a spritsaile which " is all the saile she has, her people told the Cattamaram fellow they belonged " to Pollicherry and went out to see for some Ships, but could meet none, so " was returning to Pollicherry, I will keep a continuall eye upon them and advise " when she sails again.

I wish Mr. Roberts had mentioned whether the Vessell returned from the Northward or Southward, but what I am informd I impart to you to make a Judgement thereof, I wish you good success in your undertaking and am

Sr.

Fort St. George, — Yor. most assured freind
17th July 1706. — & humble. Servant
Thomas Pitt.

21 Ship Happy Return Capt. Morgan arrived from Battavia.
Ship [No's. Senhr de Remeida Senhr.] Jno. Domingos saild for Syam.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 25th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr.	Governr. and President.
William Fraser.	Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson.	William Martin.
Robert Raworth.	Thomas Frederick.

Mr. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Accounts for the month of June last.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of June last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of seven hundred Pagod's on Account of Stores sold.

Mr. Robert Raworth Land Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the Sum of Four hundred Pagods. on Accot. Land Custom.

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Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of June last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Import'd & export'd	P. 3385 :	15 :	22
Custom on Grain	53 :	34 :	32
Anchorage	64 .	18 :	—
Tonnage	91 :	24 :	—
	Pags. 3595 :	19 :	54

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of June last, as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and works for Ditto time.

Charges Garrison	Pags. 1181 :	32 :	—
Charges Dyett and allowances	306 :	25 :	—
Charges Cattle	42 :	8 :	—
Account Presents	13 :	10 -	—
Charges Extraordinary	3 :	— :	—
Riseing Sun Smack	13 :	11 :	—
Charges Generall	316 :	4 :	—
Fortifications and repairs	72 :	25 :	—
	Pags. 1949 :	7 :	—

Agreed that Five Hundred Pags. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges of building the black Town Wall and works.

Mr. Richard Hunt Rentall Generall reads his Account for one year ending ulto : August 1703 and payes into Cash seven hundred twenty Five Pagods. thirty five fanams and he farther reads his scavengers Account for one year ending ultimo September 1705, and payes into Cash one hundred twenty five Pagods. ten fanams on that Account.

Agreed that Messrs. Wright and Rawlings Bond for seven Thousand Pagodas taken up the 24th [Instant] for Two months be pay'd off with the Interest.

Ships Loyall Cooke and Loyall Merchant having been a considerable time out of England, and we designing their return thither in September next, and in order thereto 'tis agreed that the following Persons goe off on board of them, so soon as the weather will permitt to survey them, and report to the Governour and Council what condition they find them in. And that ye. Comanrs. deliver into the Governour an Account what Provission, they have by them and intend to provide for ye Homeward bound Voyage.

MR. WILLIAM MARTIN.	CAPT. JOHN HASELWOOD.
CAPT. WILLIAM HOW.	CAPT. HENRY HARNETT.
CAPT. RICHD. RAWLINGS.	CAPT. THOMAS PLUMBE.
MR. JOSEPH DARBEY. } MR. THOMAS BARROW. }	Shipwrights.

Agreed that we write to Bengall in our next Generall Letter to send us if possible in September next One Thousand or Fifteen hundred Baggs of Salt Petre.

Mr. Chardin having complained to the Governour against Capt. Plumbe [or] building upon his Wall, Agreed that the same be surveyd. by Messrs. Fraser, Martin, and Raworth, who are to send for the Partys & peruse their Leases, and afterward their opinion to the Govr. and Council.

This day having considered of the report delivered in by Messrs. Wright &c. about the dispute between Capt. Plumbe and Capt. Heron the latter as Capt. ffords attorney, 'tis resolved that an order be Directed to Capt. fford that he forthwith stop up the winddowes complaind against it appearing that they were made by Permission.

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The Governour acquainting the Council that the French Vessell had been to the Southward and was again returned to Pollicherry, where they had Landed their men, Armes, Amunition &c[a] so that beleive our Ships expected are in no great danger for that the whole Coast to the Southward is sufficiently Alarm'd of that Vessell, from whom the Chiefest danger we were apprehensive of, was by surprize, Tis therefore resolved we forthwith send a Letter to Fort S[t]. David for Cap[t]. Chamberlain in the Riseing Eagle, to remain there if arrived, till a confirmation of what before written.

There being some Bales lying ready at Vizagapat[m]. Tis Agreed that the Rising Sun smack be sent thither [to fetch] them up and returne in September.

Padre Paulo de Saa This day delivering in a petition (as Entered after this Consultation) for leave for another Padre to assist him in executing his Function att Cuddaloor, and Tevenapatam, Agreed it be Granted him, and the Person to be Cap[t]. Manuel deSilvas [son] Inhabitant of this Place.

This day the Heads of the Cast were before us who were asked whether they had convinced their severall Casts and assest the money ordered to be pay'd them for the Town Wall, who upon examination were found to have done nothing in it, 'Tis therefore resolved that y[e]. Heads of the Casts be all confined to the Pagoda, till they had effectually raised the money.

The following Generall Letters received were all now read :—

From the Council for the Unit'd Affairs dat[d]. 11th. April & 11th May.

From the Chief and Council of Vizagapat[m]. dated 24th. June.

From M[r]. Faucett at Maddapoll[m]. dated 30th June.

Ordered that Francisco Rebeira, and Matthew Johnson be Entertaind Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

TO THE HON[BLE]. THOMAS PITT ESQ[R].
GOVERNOUR OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE
AND PRESIDENT OF MADRASS &C
COUNCIL.

The Humble Petition of Paul de Saa &c.

Whereas your Petitioner by the permisssion of the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Comp[y]. is Vicar of the Roman Catholick Churches of Tevenapat[m]. and Cuddaloor for near this seven years, and by reason of distance of said place, and your Petitioners indisposition cannot well administer [to] them both as is necessary, therefore humbly requests your Honour &c Council to grant him a Coadjutor for y[e]. better performance of said Dutyes and whereas your Petitioner beleives that Padre Manuel deSilva son to Cap[t]. Manuel desilva inhabitant of y[s]. place to be a person fit and capable for s[d]. administration y[r]. Hon[r]. &c Council be pleased to confer it on him, or any other of the Secular Clergy y[o]. shall think most fit and convenient.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 30TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

The Paymaster acquainted us that they had been upon the Survey of the Loyall Cooke and Loyall Merchant, the former they found in a very good condition to take in the Companys Goods, but found the Loyall Merchant very defective 'tis therefore Agreed that the Warehousekeeper load on board the Loyall Cooke one hundred Ton of salt Petre and her Charterparty proportion of Redwood, but whereas the report of the Loyall Merchant being defective is in Generall termes ; 'Tis therefore Agreed the Messrs. Darbey and Barrow two Ship Wrights do go on board the aforesaid Ship, and with the carpenters belonging to her, goe fore and aft within board and without and take a particular Account wherein the Ship is defective & wt. absolute necessary to be done, and report the same under their hand when the Paymaster is ordered to make his report likew[ise].

The Governour acquaints the Council that by severall advices 'tis confirmed to him, what he informd y[m]. of relating to the French Vessell on the 25th Instant,' tis therefore agreed that a Letter be sent to Capt. Chamberlain to order him to returne hither as soon as possible unless Mr. Roberts and he should find it absolutely necessary that he lye longer in his Cruize to ye. Southward.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced to Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Symond Rodriques, Domingo ffernandez and Francis Levalier are Entered Souldiers in this Garrison, and Andrade desilva of the Gunroome Crew.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Chindadree belonging to Collaway Chittee saild out of this Road for Juncksalone. 31ST

AT A CONSULTATION

AUGUST THURSDAY 1ST

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Generall Letter to the Council for the United Trade in the Bay of Bengall dated yesterday now read and approved.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the Sum̄ of One Thousand Pagodas on Account Sea Customs.

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This day the Paymaster delivered in the reports of the Survey of the Loyall Cooke and Loyall Merchant the latter being found uncapable of proceeding to England in September the Commander of her Capt. Sheppard was sent for to whom the reports were read, when he declared his Ship out of Demorage till he had given the Ship such necessary repairs as to render her fitting to take in the Companys Goods, wch. Declaration we told him should be signified under our hand and the Secretary to deliver him Copys of the reports, all which are as Entered after this Consultation.

The Gentlemen in Persia having sent no wine to us on the Loyall Merchant nor Loyall Cooke, Tis Agreed that the Steward buys twenty five Chests of Syrash wine for the Company expence.

The Paymaster reports Ship Loyall Cooke Compa. are 57 Men and boys, and the Loyall Merchaut seventy five men and boys.

This day Kittee Narrain delivered in a Petition complaining that he had a cause depending in the Mayors Court some months, and still undesided, Tis Agreed that the aforesaid Petition be sent to the Mayor with an order to decide the same between Narrain and Captain Weoley as soon as possible, copy of the Petition is as Entered after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
WILL. FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT. HONBLE.
UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL

Honble. Sr.

Pursuant to your orders of the 26th. ultimo to us the Subscribers for the surveying the Ships Loyall Cooke and Loyall Merchant, on which Ships we have been on board and find the Loyall Cooke in a very good condition in all respects to receive what ever Goods you Load thereon for Europe, she being very fitt to proceed thither.

The Loyall Merchant we also survey'd and find her Hull very much out of repair, severall of her Lodging and Dagger [Knees] started from the beams in the Hold, all the standers and knees in the Aulup faulty, and ought to be taken out besides many other defects for the particulars whereof please to be referred to the report of Messrs. Josh. Darby and Thoms. Barrow (two Ship-Wrights) who were also at the Surveying this Ship, upon the whole we give it as our opinions this Ship Loyall Merchant is in no wise fitt to proceed for Europe without a thorough repair. We are

Honble. Sr. &c.
Yor. most Obedient Servants,
WILLM: MARTIN.
JNO. HASELWOOD.
WILLIAM HOW.
HENRY HARNETT.
THOMS. PLUMBE.
ROBT. ATKINSON.
JOSEPH DARBEY.

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According to your Honours order we have been on board the Loyall Merchant and taken a particular Survey of all her vizable defects Vizt.

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On the Starboard side in the Hold. Six Lodging and Dagger Knees that are started off from the Beams that should be taken out and new fayd and very [well] bolted, if found serviseable when taken off.

On the Larboard syde in the hold. Seven Lodging and Dagger knees that are started off from the Beams that should be taken out and new fayd and very well [bolted] if found serviseable when taken off.

The Aulup ... ... All the standards and knees to be taken off, and new fay'd and bolted if found serviseable when taken off, by reason of their being started off from the beams, which worke cannot be performed in this Road.

On the Gun deck ... All the standards to be oversett, and shift what Plank shall be found needfull on the Decks, the standards to be new fay'd and bolted, if found serviseable when taken up, and to put a new pair in the wake of the Chestrees, which are very needfull.

On the upper Deck ... Two hanging knees to be taken out and new ones fayed in their roomes, and well bolted, and two upper Deck beams to be very well Clampd that are sprung.

Without board on the Starboard syde. To take out a peice of Channell wall between the main and fore chaines, and to put a new peice in the roome the old being most serviseable, and the seames on the quarter to be Luted.

Work to be done at low and light water mark. To cutt List of sheathing out for to come at all her seams and Scarves, and hooding ends afore and a baft wch. must be carefully looked after.

The Ship to be very well caulked fore and aft without board, and within board all which do beleave to be very needfull.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE,
30TH. JULY 1706.

JOSEPH DARBY.
THOMAS BARROW.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^T^: HON^BLE^. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMP^A^. &C^A^. COUNCIL.

The humble Petition of Kittee Narrain
Humbly Sheweth.

Whereas Capt. George Weoley late Commander of the Tibby Ketch bound on a Trading Voyage to the Coast of Syndee did take up at Respondentia of your Petitioner the sum̃ of Two hundred Pagod^s^. at the rate of Twenty five ℘ Cent to run the usuall risgoe specified in said Bond, on the aforesaid Vessell during her intended Voyage, in the prosecution of which he was unfortunately taken by the ffrench and afterwards redeemd at Callicutt by the Cheif there by Bill of Exchange drawn on the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr. which was duly complyed with, and for raising of money to pay the said Bill it was declared by the Honble. Governour &c Owners that who ever had concernes on s^d^. Vessell either at Respondentia or Freight they must pay in their proportion for her redemption which was accordingly complyed with by your Petitioner, who pay'd One Hundred Pagod^s^.

as his part of or his Respondentia Bond; now may it please your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} the s^{d}. Vessell is arrived but Capt. George Weoley refuses to pay one Cash towards said Bond, upon which y^{r}. Petitioner applyed himself to the Worp^{ll}. Mayors Court for redress wch. is near three months and nothing done therein, nor is there any Courts held, upon such delay it may be y^{e}. [intense] loss of what's due to your Petitioner from Capt. Weoley [who] being a Seafaring man may take an opportunity of going away without satisfying the same, so do hereby humbly request your Hon^{r}. &c that y^{o}. would be pleased to have a hearing of my case, and see that so notorious an Injustice be not put upon your Petitioner who questions not a speedy dispatch thereof now it comes before you, to whose determination he most readily acquiesces to and

As in duty bound shall ever Pray

2^{d}. Ship Happy Returne Capt. Morgan saild for Bengall.

" Sloop Christian Quintus saild for Trincombar.

6. Ship Riseing Eagle Capt. Chamberlain comand^{r}. arrived in y^{e}. Road from Fort S^{t}. David by whom we received a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council there dat^{d}. 5th. Ins^{t}.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 8TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of July last Ball^{e}. being Pagod^{s}. 5946 : 24.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. as Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of July, and payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Comp^{s}. Cash Four hundred eighty four Pagod^{s}. 17 fan^{s}. for Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper Two thousand and eight Rupees for Custom on Silver coined and is the Ballance of the Mint Account.

Ponagetto Narso &c. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers payes into y^{e}. R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams on that Account.

Messrs. Fraser &c. deliver in their report about the Wall in dispute between M^{r}. Chardin and Capt. Plumbe, which is as Entered after this Consultation and the consideration thereof deferred to another meeting.

M^{r}. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of July last Viz^{t}.

Choultry Custom	Pag^{s}.	229 : 25 : 15.
Rubie Broakers	"	31 : 32 : 35.
Town Broakers	"	8 : 7 : 13.
Registring Slaves	"	— : 24 : —.
	Pagod^{s}.	270 : 16 : 63.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of ffort S^{t}. David dated 5th. Instant now read, advising of [their] having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pagod^{s}. 1,000. Agreed the same be pay'd.

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Mess[rs]. William Martin and Robert Raworth payes into [the] R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Nine Hundred Ninety nine Pagod[s]. thirty five fanams and fifty three Cash, being on the following Account Viz[t]. Pagod[s]. 312 : 30 : 40 : on Account the Estate of Joshua Page Deceased and Pa. 687 : 5 : 13. Account of George [Snell].

Agreed that One Thousand Pagod[s]. be advanced M[r]. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Cap[t]. Robert Sheppard commander of the Loyall Merchant presented this day a Petition as Entered after this Consultation, the purport thereof being to desire the Loan of One Thousand Pagodas to buy stores and what necessary for the repairing this Ship so considering she has [under] a ffreight for w[ch]. the Company is to Receive in few days Eight Thousand Pagodas 'Tis resolved we Lend him One Thousand Pagod[s]. to be pay'd in England on the termes of what money has already been pay'd him on Charterparty Account and that one of his Receipts for the same be remitted the Company by the first Ship.

Tho : Pitt.
Will : Fraser.
Tho : Wright.
M : Empson.
W : Martin.
Rob[t]. Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.

To the Hon[ble]. Thomas Pitt Esq[r].
President for Affairs of the R[t]. Hon[ble].
United East India Company on the Coast of
Choromandell, and Gov[r]. of Fort
S[t]. George &c[a]. Council.

Hon[ble]. S[r]. &c[a].

Whereas your Hon[r]. &c. upon the report given in by the Gentlemen directed to survey the Ship Loyall Merchant have thought it necessary to condemn said Ship as uncapable to proceed for Europe till such time her defects be repair'd ; I think it my duty in behalf of my Owners to lay before your Hon[r]. &c. the pressing occasion I have for money to effect the same without which I see no probability how it can be done, and whereas your Honour &c. having received so considerable a sum̃ for the freight of said Ship her last Voyage hence I humbly conceive it as a motive that will the readyer induce you to Grant this my request which in behalfe of my owner I Petition of you that you would please to assist me with the Loan of One Thousand Pagodas in order to carry on the aforesaid worke and further I humbly desire your Hon[r]. &c to put the Worp[ll]. Council at Bengall in mind to afford me their assistance in what more I may have occasion for towards refitting said Ship, which sum̃ or sums of money I do oblige myself in the behalfe of my Owners shall be repay'd to the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Company in England with the Advance thereon as is usuall in such cases, I earnestly intreat your Hon[r]. &c favour herein being with all Deference.

Hon[ble]. S[r]. &c
Your most Obedient hum[ble]. Servant
Robert Sheppard.

Fort S[t]. George,
7th August 1706.

To the Hon[ble]. the President and
Governour of Fort S[t].
George &c[a]. Council.

In persuance of an Order of the Governour and Council of the 25th Instant directed to us the subscribers hereof, we went to the now dwelling House of

Capt. Plumbe to view his additionall new building, as the same relates to the Partition Wall (so much contested for) which parts the said Plumbs House and ground from that of his neighbours Mr. Chardins.

First we observed that Captain Plumbs new building w[as] not built upon the aforesaid old Wall, so much in doubt as to his right owners, but contiguous with, or adjoyning to the said Wall, and on Capt. Plumbs own Ground, wch. Mr. Chardin agrees to, and confesses he may, and can build and thus far they are both in the right, so that the contravercy is to whom the old Wall properly belongs.

Mr. Chardin on his part produced to us a Bill of Sale in ample form given by William Richardson to Clement King dated the 21st of February 1679, mentioning the scittuation and Spot of Ground on which Mr. Chardins House has been since built as it now is.

Capt. Plumbe produced to us also, his Lease for the House and ground he now possesses dated 16th February 1680 under the Hands of the then Agent Masters and Councill appendant[ed] to which is the Honble. Companys larger Seal, which mention[s] likewise the Scituation and space of Ground, on which Capt. Plumb's house now stands, but the aforesaid Bill of Sale given by William Richardson to Clement King being of Date a year older then the Companys Lease to sd. William Richardson for the House and Ground Capt. Plumb now occupies and possesses, it's reasonable to believe that Clement King might have built said partition Wall now in question to keep up the right and property he had to the small houses and space of ground he bought & purchased of the said Richardson by fenceing in the same, but still this seems more probable then well proved, for admitting the Wall now in contest to belong to Mr. Chardin, in which case Capt. Plumbe looses three foot in Length of what he ought to have by measuring from said Wall from the East to the West, and of his building fronting Glocester Street a Alley, because the Plan or draught of Capt. Plumbes Lease is sett down eighty one foot from East to West which measures now but seventy Eight foot; all wch. we humbly referr to your Honr. &c. consideration & remain.

Honble. &ca
Yor. honrs. &ca most humble. Servants
William Fraser.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.

Fort St. George,
July 31st 1706.

At a Consultation
Present

Thursday 15th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr.	Governor and President.
William Fraser.	Thomas Wright.
Matt. Empson.	William Martin.
Robert Raworth.	Thomas Frederick.

Mr. William Fraser Accomptant reads his Journall parcells of Account for the month of June last.

Capt. Chamberlain in the Riseing Eagle being returned from the Southward, who we sent to cruise and looke out for the French Vessell, as by our Consultation the 13th July last, now delivers in his Account of all stores expended, and the remainder to the Storekeeper &c. and allso payes into Cash Pags. 46 : 7: 56,

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being the remainder of 50 he received: Upon which 'tis agreed that Two hundred Pagod^s. be pay'd out of Cash to the Owners of the Said Ship, and Fifty Given as a Gratuity to the Comand^r. to encourage the like undertaking, whenever there should be occasion.

This day whilst in Consultation arrived in this Road Ship Tankervill Capt. Newnam Comander and London S^r. George Matthew's Comander and another little Ship belonging to him; Capt. Newnam sent a Letter ashore to the Governour to acquaint him he belonged to the United Company, and that he waited our Orders for bringing the Packet ashore which was immediatly done, and in the afternoone the Council was summoned to the opening of it, when was read the Generall Letter from the R^t. Honble Mannagers dat^d. 18 January 1705. A List of the Packet is as Entered after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO THE FORT BY THE TANKERVILL.

1. Comp^s. Generall to ye Fort dated 18th Jan^ry. 1705 deliver'd the Capt. a part.
2. Copy Comp^as. Gen^ll. to Ditto dat^d 19th December 1704 } sent ℣ Fleet ffrig^t. & Somers
3. Copy Comp^as. Gen^ll. to Ditto dat^d 12th January 1704 }
4. Invoice of Ship Tankervill Amounting to £ 80319: 9. 3.
5. Bill of Loading of Ditto Ship.
6. Charterparty of Ditto Ship.
7. Orders of Investments.
8. Copys of the Entryes of the Seperatt Stock Ships.
9. Order of Encouragement for the discovering Clandestine Trade.
10. Bonds and Covenants to be Executed by M^r. Wigmore and returned us.
11. Manifest of Goods licenced to be ship't on board the Tankervill.
12. Invoice of Medicines for Fort St. George in the Chest.
13. [Keys.] of the Chest of Medicines for D^o. fastened to the Chest.
14. Invoice of Medicines for Fort S^t. David in the Chest.
15. Keys of the Chest of Medicines for D^o. N^o. fastened to the Chest.
16. List of Souldiers on board the Tankervill.
17. Additional Invoice of 10 Chests of Treasure amo^t. to £ 10889: 13. 4.
18. Bill of Lading of Ditto to be sent a part.
19. Companys Generall to the Fort dat^d 13th February 1705.
20. Companys Generall to Ditto dat^d 20th February 1705.
21. Company Generall to Fort S^t. David dat^d 13th February 1705 sent under a fflying seal for your perusall.
22. List of Factors &c. Covenants to be signed by them and returned us as also the counterparts of said Covenants in a Bundle in ye Box.
23. Packet directed to the President and Council for Affairs of the Governour and Company of Merchant &c^a. at Fort S^t. George.
24. Packett Directed to the President of Fort S^t. George for the time being to be opened five dayes before the dispatch of the first summer Ship for Europe, and not before. This with N°. 19 are directed under one Sealed cover To the Honble the Governour and Council for Affairs of the United East India Comp^a. at Fort S^t. George &c^a.

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25. Directions about the Morters and Shells on board ye Tankerville.
26. Directions about Ditto on board ye Tankerville for Fort S^t^. David.
27. Pacquett Directed to the Council for affairs of the R^t^. Honble United English East India Company at Fort William in Bengall to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity.

AT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY 16TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

This morning the Governour again summoned the Council when the United Companys Letter dated the 18th of January 170$\frac{5}{6}$ was again read, as also two Generall Letters from the R^t^. Honble Mannagers dated the 8th and 21st of March and a Generall Letter from the New Company dated 2^d^. March 1705.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper and Storekeeper do Land Thirty Chests of Bullion and that in which the Gold is to be one, as also all Goods ond stores on board the Tankerville, except the Lead which is to be continued on board it bearing a better price in Bengall then here.

And whereas 'tis the Companys orders that the Treasure designed for Bengall should be coined into Rupees here, of which we considered and sent for those of the Mint, who calculated the time it could be done in, who assured us it would not take up less then Twenty five or thirty dayes, & we beleive the same, so should we detain the Ship any thing near that time 'twould indanger the loosing of her Passage to Bengall or at least meet with a tedious one thither, wherefore 'tis resolved that Forty eight Chests of Treasure remain on board and the Ship Dispatch'd to Bengall with all expedition.

M^r^. Thomas Wright delivers in a Petition for leave to lay down the Companys Service, that so he might goe home on the Loyall Cooke (who's Petition is as Entered after this Consultation) Agreed the same be Granted him and that he continues in Council till his departure and as it happens M^r^. Empson being next him in Counsell. Order[ed] that he receives all Goods now from the Tankerville, and y^e^ [remaind^r^.] of the Warehouse from M^r^. Wright.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^BLE^ THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.,
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORTS
S^T^. GEORGE AND S^T^. DAVID &C. COUNCIL.

Honble S^r^. &c^a^.

Designing (God willing) for England in October next, so intreat the favour of your Honour &c to appoint some persons to receive what Goods Remaining in the Warehouse belonging to the R^t^. Honble United

English East India Company and to give me a discharge for the same ; I heartily wish your Hon^r. &c health and prosperity, and am

Honble S^r. &c.,
Your most humble Servant,
THOMAS WRIGHT.

FORT S^T. GEORGE,
15TH AUGUST 1706.

Ship Sweepsteaks Capt. Samuel Heaton Commander arrived in this Road from Battavia. 18TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 19TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R., GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Whereas the Company has ordered about ffifty Tons of Bale Goods to be sent down to Bengall on the Hallifax. Tis ordered that the Warehousekeeper loads on board the Tankerville Three Hundred Bales, 260 in Ordinary Longcloth of Madrass and Fort S^t. David, and 40 Balls of Ordinary Sallampores, and that he also Loads on board Two hundred Candy of Redwood.

Capt. Richard Boulton Commander of the Loyall Cooke having One Hundred Tons of Salt Petre on board, and requesting more, Ordered that Warehousekeeper Loads what more he desires, not exceeding the quantity agreed for in his Charterparty.

In consideration that the Company will speedily want money to make Investments here and at Fort S^t. David, 'Tis Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sells the Silver att Sixteen and a half Doll^s. weight for Ten Pagod^s. to such as will coine it in the Mint, and sixteen and a quarter to those that carry it out of the Place.

Ordered that Messrs. Martin, Raworth and two Assaymasters be present at weighing of the Silver.

M^r. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Account Stores for the month of July last.

Agreed that Three Hundred Pagod^s. be advanced to Vehemiah &c^a. Painters towards painting of Callicoes.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Ship Dansburgh arrived in this Road from Trincombar. 23RD.

Ship Riseing Eagle Capt. Chamberlain saild for Bengall.

Briggantine Endeavour Capt. Hart Comander saild for Bengall.

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At a Consultation

Present

Saturday 24th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.

William Fraser.	Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson.	William Martin.
Robert Raworth.	Thomas Frederick.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper delivers to the Mintmaster the Gold received ℘ Ship Tankervill, to be coined into Pagods.

The ffreighters of Ship Loyall Cooke payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Seven Thousand Pagods. for the Freight of said Ship.

The Freighters of Ship Loyall Merchant payes into the Rt. Honble. United Company Cash the sum of Eight Thousand Pagods. for her Freight.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sūm of One Hundred forty nine Pagods. eighteen fans. being for half a years Wine Licence ending 25th. March Lett to Joshna Page Deceased.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper &ca. Gentlemen, Ordered to weigh off the Silver, do now report it came out according to Invoice. as also the Gold.

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of July Viz.

Charges Garrison	Pagods.	1368 :	29 :—
Charges Dyett and allowances		440 :	13 :—
Charges Cattle		38 :	2 :—
Charges Extraordinary		74 :	5 :—
Riseing Sun Smack		13 :	— :—
Charges Generall		356 :	5 :—
Fortification and repairs		94 :	33 :—
Ship Riseing Eagle		118 :	6 :—
West Coast		4 :	22 :—
	Pagods:	2448 :	7 :—

as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and works for Ditto time.

Mr. Thomas Wright designing for England, who has hitherto mannaged the business relating to Griffith and Bugden, acquaints us that he had money and effects of theirs which he desired we would order some Person to receive them of him and make a dividend amongst his Creditors. Agreed that Mr. Raworth receives the money &ca. and divide itt amongst the Creditors, and give notice thereof by fixing [notes] on the severall Gates that 'tis to be done on the Fifteenth of September next and such as do not make their claime by that time to loose the benefit of the dividend.

[Ordinary] Longcloth and Smallampores being very Dear in [these parts] by reason of the scarcity of Cotten: Agreed that [on]e thousand Pagods. be sent to Vizagapatam on ye. Riseing Sun smack, and the Warehousekeeper to Lade the same, and that there be Directions to the Cheif and Council there to Invest part of it in such Beetteelaes as the Company have now ordered.

Agreed that Mr. Francis Hastings succeed Cheif of Vizagapatam in the roome of Mr. Frewen Deceased, and that Mr. Cranwell be Second, and Mr. Marton Third of Council.

We having received via Bengall a Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of York Fort dated 25th. of April advising of their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Dollars 5390. Agreed that the same be pay'd, other wayes 'tis all our opinions that Place must be undone.

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Ordered that the Warehousekeeper affix's notes on the severall Gates to give Notice that all Merch[ts]. are free to make their proposalls to the Governour and [Council for the] Europe cloth now received by the [shipping].

[M[r].] Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagod[s]. on Account Sea Customs.

Ordered that the following things be sent to Vizagap[m].

2 Chests of Wine.
1 Chest of Pickles
2 Chests of Rosewater.
1 Chest of Kismusses.
1 Chest of Reisons.
1 Chest of Almonds.
1 Box [of Factors Provissions.]

Generall Letters from t[he] Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 30th. of July and [. . .] of August both now read the former advising their having drawn two Bills of Exch[a]. on us one for Rupees 1500 the other for 993 : 11. Agreed they both be pay'd.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Bodja [. . .] Allauhee arrived from Columbo Noquedah [. . .]. 25.

Ship Dansburgh saild for Bengall. 26.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[r]. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. THURSDAY 29th.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

There going a Ship to Pegue Kittee Narrain desires we would spare him Ten Bales of Broadcloth to send thither to pay for it as the rest is sold. [Orde]red that the Warehousekeeper delivers the same.

Agreed that the Maddapollam Yatch be sent to Fort S[t]. David with the ffollowing Stores, and that y[e]. Warehousekeep[r]. &c[a] do load the same Viz[t].

8 Bales of Europe Cloth.
5 Chests of Wine.
2 Chests of Rosewater.
7 Chests of Fruit.
1 Box of Factors Provissions.
79 Planks 20 Axel Trees, one Barrell of Pitch.
1 Barrell of Tarr. 2 Chests of Fire Armes, 6 hand moulds.
300 Granadoes, 2 Anchors, one Anchor Stock.

Some Merchants in Persia having Laden on Freight on the Loyall Merchant about Four hundred Chests of Syrash Wine for Bengall, which Ship on her first arrivall wee intended to Dispatch hence for England, for which reason 'twas

Landed here, and reladen on a ship bound to Bengall so we think it reasonable that it should be Custom free, beleiving from the condition the wine was in the Owners would be very great loosers thereby.

Auga Pera Calendra an Armenian Inhabitant of this Place delivers in a Petition as Entered after this Consultation the purport being complaints against Coja Surhaad his Factor, living under the English Government at Fort William, Agreed that we write to the Council for the United Affairs there in his behalfe, and send them Copy of his Petition.

Narrain Petitioning the first Instant that he had commenced a sute against Capt. George Weoley upon a respondentia Bond, which had been long depending and since that time there having been no Court, and the aforesaid Weoley going to sea, he this day addrest himself to us for our Justice, upon which we sent for him and demanded his reasons for his not paying Narrains Proportion according to the Dividend of Tibby Ketch and Cargoe which was Two years agoe taken by the French and afterwards redeemed, whose answer was so frivolous, to say no worse, that we unanimously agreed that he should immediately pay him his Dividend being Pagodas 244, with the Charges of the Court, and the Secretary to serve him with an order accordingly, which is Entered after y^{s}. Consultation.

Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees desireing Ten Bales of Ordinary Broadcloth to pay as the rest is sold, ordered y^{t}. the Warehousekeeper delivers the same.

The New Companys Merchants of Metchlepatam were before us to know what Orders the New Company had given about the remaining part of their Debt, to which the Governour told them that they were soe farr from sending any thing to pay it, that they had not as much as comply'd with any one Bill, for the money taken up and pay'd them by M^{r}. Tillard; they utter'd severall invectives against the reputation of the Company, and mennaced what they would doe if they had not speedy satisfaction, upon which we advised them to put in writing what they had to say, when we should be better able to give them an answere.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated yesterday now read and approv'd as also a Letter to the Chief and Council of Vizagpat^{m}. of Ditto date.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Agreed that Two hundred eighty three Pagod 30 (Fa.) : 60 (Ca.). be pay'd out of Cash to M^{r}. Thomas Lovell being for 1713¾ Abasses pay'd by him to the Chief and Council of Gombroom for Wine, Rosewater &c^{a} and sixty eight Pagodas for half Pilotage of Ship Loyal Merchant from hence to China the Owners of said Ship to make it good, & the Company to be advised thereof.

Ordered that M^{r}. Woolsters take charge as Master of the Riseing Sun Smack.

Agreed that Twenty five Pagod^{s}. be pay'd Mannangapah for three months Town Conicoplys duty.

M^{r}. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of July last Viz^{t}.

Custom on Goods Imported and exported this month	Pag^{s}.	1711 :	15 :	3
Custom on Grain	„	19 :	29 :	2
Anchorage	„	44 :	18 :	–
Tonnage	„	50 :	— :	–
	Pag^{s}.	1825 :	26 :	5

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and payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagod^{s}. on that account.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T} : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^{T}. HON^{BLE}. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T} GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF AGA PERA CALENDAR.

May it Please your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}.

Your Petitioners Father about twenty years agoe did employ one Suraad Israil as his Factor and accordingly gave him a stock to trade wth according to the Custome of the Armenians which is well known to your Hon^{r}. &c. now upon your Petitioners Fathers Decease your Petitioner confirmed said Suraad Israel as your Petitioners Factor, but has since demanded said Suraad Israil to adjust his Accounts with your Petitioner which he has refused to comply with, but understanding that he now resides in Fort William under the English Government in Bengall it is your Petitioners humble request to your Honour &c^{a} that you would please to acquaint the English Council of Bengall with your Petitioners case, that they may use such means as either to send Suraad Israel up to Madrass by the January Shipping, or cause him to send an Attorney wth sufficient Power and Instructions to adjust accounts with your Petitioner either in the Worp^{ll}. Mayors Court or by impartiall arbitration, as Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} in your wisdome and prudence shall direct, Both your Petitioner and his Father have long served the R^{t}. Honble. Company and enjoyed the happiness of their Protection, wch. emboldens your Petitioner to give your Hon^{r}. &c. this trouble, and that the R^{t}. Honble. Companys affairs may long flourish and prosper through the prudent mannagement of your Hon^{r}. &c. your Pettitioner as in duty bound shall daily pray.

TO CAP^{T} GEORGE WEOLEY.

There having been a dispute between Narrain and you about a Respondentia Bond of Two hundred Pagodas he Lent you on the Tibby Ketch bound to the Coast of Syndee who was taken in her way by the French and afterwards redeemed for Three thousand three hundred twenty three Pagodas, and Narrain having proved before the Governour and Council by undenyable evidence that he pay'd his proportion of the redemption money which gives him as good a Title to a dividend of the produce of the Stock as any one concerned therein, which has induced us the Governour and Council to give the following order that you George Weoley upon receipt of this pay unto Kittee Narrain Two hundred forty four Pagod^{s}. and what charge he has been at in the Mayors Court, and this we order our Secretary to acquaint you with Dated in Fort S^{t}. George 30th August 1706.

By order of the Honble. Govern^{r}. and Council
HEN. DAVENPORT,
SEC^{RY}.

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29th Ship Tankervill Capt Charles Newnam Commander sailed out of this Road for Bengall by whom we sent Packets to the Council for the United Affairs there datd. 22d. & 24th. Inst.

Ship London Sr. George Matthews Comandr. sailed out of this Road for Bengall.

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AT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 2D

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

We having now considered of the dispute between Mr. Chardin and Capt Plumbe about the partition Wall that divided the Ground and on which Mr. Chardins Closset and Godown now stands; 'Tis Unanimously Agreed that the said Wall do's wholy belong to Mr. Chardin and that the Secretary signifies this our Order to both Partyes.

Mr. Thomas Wright delivers in a List of some Jewells &ca belonging to Messrs. Griffith and Bugden. Ordered that Mr. Raworth takes care of the same and sell them at Publick Outcry, dividing the produce with the rest of the effects as formerly ordered.

Mr. Thomas Wright delivers in by List all Papers &ca in his hands belonging to the Estate of Francisco de Saa deceased, Ordered that they are kept in ye. Secretarys office and the List Entered after this Consultation.

This day Narrain, Collaway, Vinkettee Chittees and Sunca Rama, were before us to make proposalls for the Broad Cloth now come upon the Tankervill who offered Twenty ℘ Cent, and ready money who after some debate, we brought up to Twenty five ℘ Cent when 'twas unanimously Agreed to let them have all the Broad cloth at that rate, except what we should keep for the use of the Garrison, and Subordinate Factorys and all Cloth Colours, Blacks and Blew's which they refuse to meddle with, they paying for the same in one moth. and what remain's then unpay'd, to pay at the rate of Ten ℘ Cent ℘ Annum.

Richard Low Souldier in this Garrison requesting his Discharge, and produced Peter de Crewse to serve in his room, Ordered it be Granted him.

Mr. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of July last.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Laurence de Mount, Francisca de Silva, and Gabriel de Lopaz be Entertaind souldiers in this Garrison, and John de Costa of the Gunroome Crew.

Agreed that One Hundred sixty four Pagods. Nine fans. five Cash be pay'd out of Cash to Kittee Narrain being the Ballance of Mr. Thomas Fancetts Account at Maddapollm.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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LIST OF SENH^{R}. FRANCISCO DE SAUS PAPERS DELIVERED THE SECRETARY ℔ ORDER OF THE HON^{BLE}. PRESIDENT & COUNCIL.

1. Capt. Samuel Heaton's Account Currant in Battavia.
2. Madam de Pavias Discharge.
3. John Carvallas discharge.
4. Senh^{r}. de Saas Widdows Receipt for Pag^{s}. 1000.
5. M^{r}. Affleck's discharge.
6. Donna Izabella de Lamas discharge.
7. Senh^{r}. Manuell de Silvas Discharge.
8. Capt. Herons Discharge.
9. Senh^{r}. Francisco Mendes discharge.
10. Mariah de Silva de Bretto's discharge.
11. Nalla Chittees Discharge.
12. M^{rs}. De Pavias sons discharge.
13. Senh^{r}. Manuel deSilvas account disbursements.
14. Capt. Heatons Account Currant in Madrass.
15. Madam Nicks Account Currant.
16. M^{r}. Meverells Discharge.
17. Collaway Chittees discharge.
18. Ditto Receipt for Pagod^{s}. 27.
19. Madam de Pavias Receipt for Pag^{s}. 14 : 20 fan^{s}.
20. Maria de Silver de Brittos Receipt.
21. M^{r}. John Meverells Receipt.
22. M^{r}. William Warrs Receipt.
23. Kittee Narrans discharge.
24. Thomas Wright and John Meverells Account Currant of the Estate.
25. List of the Papers.

Riseing Sun Smack sailed out of this road for Vizagapat^{m}. by whom sent a Packet to the Cheif and Council there dat^{d}. 31st Aug. 2^{d}.

The Maddapollam Yatch sailed for Fort S^{t}. David. Ship Mahomuddee saild out of this road for Quodda. 3^{d}.

Ship Chindadree Senh^{r} Bell Master for Bengall 4

Ship Triblicane saild out of this road for Pegue.

Ship Boomrepau saild out of this road for Pegue.

Ship Bomrepau Coja Tassu Noquedah saild for Pegue.

Ship Prince George belonging to the Danes arrived in this road from Persia.

Ship S^{t}. Jean saild out of this road for Rackan. 12.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present.

THURSDAY 12th

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of August last Ballance Pagod^{s}. 10800 · 9 : 2.

Ponagetto Narso &c^{a} Tobacco and Beetle farmers payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagod^{s}. twelve fanams on that Account.

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Mr. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custome Account for the month of August last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags.	295 :	2 ;	65.
Rubie Broakers		18 :	31 .	75.
Town Broakers		26 :	7 .	2.
Registring Slaves		2 .	8 .	—.
	Pags.	312 .	13 .	62.

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sũm of of three hundred eighty five Pagods. on Account Land Custom.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced to Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sũm of Twenty six thousand Pagodas on Account silver sold.

Mr. William Fraser Accomptant does read ye. Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of July last.

This day Mr. Edmund Mountague Second of Fort St. David, who came lately from thence with our leave, and since his arrivall seeing that there would be very speedily a vacancy in the Council here by Mr. Wright going for England, delivered in a Petition to be of this Council, in some measure according to his seniority upon which the Governour in consideration that the Employ of Sea Customer being void, which is of the greatest importance to the Company of any Employ in this Place under the Governour, and that to have it mannaged to their best advantage, it requires a man that is a thorow paced Merchant, that understands the Trade and Goods of the Country, as also an honest dilligent and sober man, and one that will give his constant attendance to execute the same, so the Governour beleiving Mr. Mountague to be a Person to be qualified as aforesaid, by his eight years experience of him, as also from all reports, proposes him as a fit Person for that Employ which being opposed by the Council, Tis agreed that they do bring in their reasons for it in writing signed by them to be Entd. upon the Consultation Booke, and the Governour promisses to bring what farther reasons he has why he proposed him, and that he insists upon their complyance therein.

'Twas proposed by Mr. Fraser that he should be received in as youngest of Council, and have an employ accordingly, upon which the Governour put the question and it was carryed by the Majority for his being youngest of Council, to which ye. Govr. dissented. Ordered that the Secretary gives Mr. Mountague answere to his Petition what was carryed by the Majority in the aforesaid Vote.

The Metchlepatam Merchants delivers in a Petition demanding the New Companys Debt of the United Company which Petition is as Entered after this Consultation, to wch. they were again told we could give no other answere then that we had no effects of the New Company, nor had we any Power or Orders to pay them.

It growing late in the year we sent for the following Merchants to know whether they would undertake a Contract for Goods to be provided for the January Shiping the sorts they were acquainted with, and had already view'd the Musters in the Godown, the Persons that appear'd were Sunca Rama and Connapau Chittee, who refused to be concerned unless they could Joine wth. Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees; the latter two Persons being called in a part to know whether they would Joine with them, possitively refused it, for reasons

they had given y^e^. Govr., which he now imparted to the Council; so 'twas demanded upon what termes they would undertake the Contract, the List of Goods to be provided being now produced to them, their answere was by reason of the dearness of Cotten they cou^d^. not do it, under twelve ℔ Cent advance on the last Contract and the same Musters, so after some debate with them wee offered them Five ℔ Cent, and what induced us to it, was the last advices we have had from Fort S^t^. David that there was no likelihood of making any Contract there, they refusing our offer we dismiss them, and ordered them to consider of it and give their finall answere in two or three dayes.

The Heads of the Casts having been confined some time in order to compell them to asses, and raise the money for the Town Wall, according to the List delivered them in Consultation, who now deliver in a Petition (as Entered after this Consultation) the purport being to have a Paper under the Governour and Councils hands that they shall ever be free from Taxes hereafter, to which they were answered that when they had cleared the whole Account of the Town Wall they should have a kind of a discharge, and that they should pay no more on that Account.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^T^. HON^BLE^. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL, AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE &C^A^. COUNCIL.

THE PETITION OF
AYAPA CHITTEE &C^A^. METCHLEPATAM AND MADDAPOLLAM. } MERCHANTS.

Humbly Sheweth

That when President John Pitt &c^a^. Council made a Contract with your Petitioners they accordingly delivered the Goods, and for what moneys there was due to them on Ballance they gave 'em their Bonds for the same, after which notwithstand they had then no money, made another Contract with your Petitioners for one hundred and fifty Thousand Pagodas, telling them, money would come from Bengall and other Places, which your Petitioners not in the least doubting, gave Credence to, but the said Contract obliged them, that if they did not bring in the said Goods by a certain limited time to abate 25 ℔ Cent, your Petitioners upon signing said Contract, urged they could not perform it without taking up money at Interest, the said President &c^a^. promissed them, that they need not doubt, that money in a month or fourty dayes time would come from Bengall, when they would satisfie them with Interest, upon which your Petitioners not without some difficulty provided the Goods, and sure enough, a ship from Bengall soon after arrived, but without money, at which time they tooke a quarter part of the said Goods which they had provided, and told them they expected a ship from China with a great sum̃ of money, when they would clear off all Debts, and take off the remaining three quarters of the Goods, some time after President Pitt dyed, and this China Ship arrived, and brought a

small quantity of Gold which Mr. Tillard delivered your Petitioners, telling them there was ships arrived Madrass that brought news of both Companys being United, and that the Governour of Madrass had wrot him to come up, and promissed that when he arrived Madrass he would send your Petitioners their Ballance, but after he arrives here he designs for England, your Petitioners hearing this, came hither to demand their just Debt of Mr. Tillard, who told them he would endeavour to gett Bills of Exchange upon the Company and pay them, but your Petitioners still importuning Mr. Tillard at length told them he could not succeed in that, but he was going for England himself, where he would get money and remitt them their due, your Petitioners being exasperated by these delays presumed to tell him he could not goe without discharging the Debt, he say'd he must go, your Petitioners then has no other remeddy left then to represent their said case before your Honour &ca Council, who also gave them for answere, Mr. Tillard must goe, and therefore had given him liberty; your Petitioners say'd they would stop him in the King and Companys names, and that they would all cutt their throats at the Sea Gate rather then suffer him to goe, for which your Honr. &ca being displeased, say'd you had dispatch'd him home, to which your Petitioner replyed that had they Mr. Tillard again in Metchlepatam he should not goe, and then they had not known all this trouble; after these Debates your Petitioners knowing they must submitt to Power, and the more silent and submissive, because they had their fore Fathers served the Company many yeares, at length Mr. Tillard some time after discharged part of the Debt, wn. your Petitioners demanded the whole, but your Honr. &ca giving in writing to pay what money Mr. Tillard should remitt from England they waited that time.

After Mr. Tillard went for England arrived ships that brought out orders to Messrs. Fraser and Wright to discharge your Petitioners Debt, but deferred it a considerable time, and then pay'd off but Fifteen hundred Pagods. being but part of Interest, bidding them stay till ships arrived from Engd. now this years shipping being arrived, your Petitioners went to Messrs. Fraser and Wright, who told them they had no advices from the Company, and that they must goe to Mr. Raworth which they did, who gave them for answere that neither had he any advices from ye. Company if he had, he would inform what relating to yr. Petitioners.

Your Petitioners understand that Mr. Tillard arrived eight months before these ships departed England, but sends no money, we waiting here Two years past at great expence your Honour &ca may think they have no other remedy because they have thus patiently suffered themselves to be imposed on these Four yeares past, but they would have your Honr. &ca sensible that 'tis the respect they owe to the Honble. Company, that they have not long ere this represented their aggrievances to the Kings of their own Country, for when the Surat Merchants accused the English of Piracy, were they not forc'd to a restitution at Surat, the King having received the money of your Nation, and satisfied the Merchants, then if your Petitioners have Bonds to produce, with how much more facility shall they obtain justice and satisfaction when it is for so considerable a sũm.

Your Petitioners having suffered so long, and so many times represented with submission their hard usage, do now humbly wait your Honrs. &ca answere, which when received, shall Act accordingly, either in making their application to the Kings Court, where they have their Gomastas, or use such other means, as is most adviseable for the speedy recovery of their Just Debt.

As to the Contract of One hundred and fifty thousand Pagodas, the Company received no more Goods then a ¼ part the other ¾ lyes still on your Petitioners hands unsold, and spread all over this Coast, being improper for the Markets of this Country, which money lying dead, the delays of Payment, and the Interest that they are obliged to pay are Losses too considerable to bear, all which surely

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the Company must make good, in regard they obliged your Petitioners by Contract to bring in their Goods by a certain limited time or to abate twenty five ℔ Cent, If your Petitioners had their money in due time pay'd them, the Profits that would have arose there from, by a moderate computation would have certainly amounted to not less then forty ℔ Cent, and likewise the charges they have been at in lying from their Homes without Trading these two year's, and other disadvantages accompanying too tedious to relate, all which Losses we humbly request your Honr. &ca. to consider of wayes and means to repair that they suffer no longer.

Your Honr. &ca. are pleased to say that the New Compy. has no residence here, but with submission yor. Petitioners see the same Flagg flying, the same Chop upon Cloth Bales Letters &ca. and your Honour having sent Mr. Tillard home is the more inducive to us to beleive that it is much one and the same Interest, and therefore the more earnestly call upon your Honr. &ca. for Justice, having never heard the English Nation to be otherwise then Honble. and Just; and surely was your Queen acquainted with this our Case; doubtless would resent it to the Company, and compell them to justice for the Credit of her Nation and were your Petitioners Indebted to the Company to be sure thô they proved Insolvent by misfortunes, yet they would nor could expect no other then prosecutions as far as Power extended.

The Honble. Company have been in great esteem among us here in India these many years, and now your Petitioners are very sorry that they should be the Instrument of bringing shame, and disgrace to 'em, which they ca[n] avoid if they complain to higher Powers, having [previously] represented their aggrievances, they humbly intreat your Honr. &ca. to take their case into your serious consideration.

And yr. Petitionrs. as in duty bound will ever Pray

IAPA CHITTEE.
QUALLO NARSO.
QUALLO VINKETTEE.
AREALA BOLLA CHITTEE.
OMARA GOPA[LA CHITTEE].

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE
RT. HONBLE. UNITED ENGLISH
EAST INDIA COMPANY &CA.
COUNCIL.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Having served the Rt. Honble. Company considerable time at Fort St. David, humbly request your Honr. &ca. would please to remove me to this [place] such removealls having been often granted to [those] that have desired it, I have been a Senhr. Merchant near fourteen yeares, therefore hope your Honr. &ca. will give me some employ here answereable to my standing, which I think I may justly claime, except your Honr. &ca. can object that I have been negligent or unfaithfull in the Companys service, I don't question but your Honour &ca. will doe me justice, and order me an Employ answereable to my meritt and Seniority.

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26TH AUGUST 1706.

Honble. Sr. &ca.
Your most humble Servant
EDMD. MOUNTEGUE.

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To the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President for Affairs of the
Honble. United English East
India Company on the Coast
of Choromand^{ll}. Govr. of Fort
S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.

The Petition of the Heads of the Severall Casts.

Humbly Sheweth.

That whereas lately your Hon^{r}. &c. was pleased to assess your Petitioners Pag^{s}. 6353. Acct. the Town Wall, but they have twice before contributed thereto; besides now Trade dayly decaying by which the[y] expect Impoverishment, therefore humbly request yor. Hon^{rs}. &c. to make some abatement of the said sum̃ and Grant them a Cowle to free them from any future Taxes of the like nature and for a long continuance of yor. Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. health and prosperity.

They shall as in duty bound ever prey.

13 Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dat^{d}. 10th. Ins^{t}.

At a Consultation

Present

Saturday 14th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President.

William Fraser.	Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson.	William Martin.
Robert Raworth.	Thomas Frederick.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^{t}. for the month of August last, and payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Two hundred Ninety three Pagod^{s}. thirty four fanams and forty Cash Ballance for the Custom on Gold coined in the Mint in said month, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper Eight thousand sixty four Rupees four ann^{s}. for Custom on Silver coined.

M^{r}. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Seventeen thousand Pagodas on Account Silver sold.

Last night received a Letter from the Deputy Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 10th. Instant & unexpectedly therein they advise us they have concluded the Contract for Fifty thousand Pagod^{s}. upon the termes of the last years, the particulars as hereafter mentioned. And the Governour now acquainting the Council that since [last] Consultation he had been endeavouring to perswade [the] Merchants here to accept Five ℘ Cent advance whi[ch they] seem very unwilling to do, but told him they [should a]bide by what Contract was made at Fort S^{t}. David to the sorts and prizes, beleiving as we su[ppose that it] would be made there, or if it was, would be very dear, so having the advise late last night, and supposing no News in Town of the Contract being concluded there, we this morning sent for Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees, and discoursed them farther about the Contract when after some Debates 'twas agreed they should have the same Prizes as at Fort S^{t}. David, when they obligd themselves to bring in for the January Ships the following Goods; and the Governour also injoined the Council to say nothing of what advices we have rec^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David, which the Merchants are not to be acquainted with till 3. and 4. dayes hence.

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Fort S^T^. David Contract.

Peices.						
10000	Longcloth Ordinary Ten thousand Peices.					
[1000]	Ditto Blew One Thousand Peices.					
		Covds.			fans.	
	Nº. 1.	Long 72 broad 2¼ at Pag^s^.	31 :		18 :	ꝑ Corge.
	2.	Ditto	30 :		9 :	ꝑ Ditto.
	3.	Ditto	29 :		... :	ꝑ Ditto.
10000	Sallampores Ordinary Ten thousand Peices.					
		Covds.			fans.	
	Nº. 1.	Long 32 broad 2¼ at Pag^s^.	14 :		18 :	ꝑ Corge.
	2.	Ditto	13 :		18 :	ꝑ Ditto.
2000	Ditto Fine. Two Thousand Peices.					
		Covds.				
	Nº. 1.	Long 32 broad 2¼ at Pag^s^.	25 :		... :	ꝑ Corge.
	2.	Ditoo	23 :		... :	ꝑ Ditto.
2000	Longcloth Middilng Two thousand Peices.					
	Nº. 1.	Long 72 broad 2¼ at Pag .	38 :		... :	ꝑ Corge.
	2.	Ditto	36 :		... :	ꝑ Ditto.
6000	Betteelaes of 50 Cov^ds^. 2⅛ broad Six Thousand Peices.					
					fans.	
	Nº. 29	at Pag^s^.	41 :		9 :	ꝑ Corge.
	28	at Pag^s^.	39 :		9 :	ꝑ Ditto.
6000	Ditto of 40 Coveds 2⅛ broad Six Thousand Peices.					
					fans.	
	Nº. [2]6	at Pagod^s^.	32 :		18 :	ꝑ Corge.
	25	att Pag^s^.	31 :		9 :	ꝑ Ditto.

Fort S^T^. George Investment.

Peices.	
10000	Longcloth Ordinary Ten thousand Peices.
1000	Ditto Blew One thousand Peices.
2500	Ditto Middling Two thousand five hundred Peices.
2000	Ditto Fine Two thousand Peices.
20000	Sallampores Ordinary Twenty thousand Peices.
2000	Ditto Fine Two thousand Peices.
2000	Moorees Two thousand Peices.
1500	Ditto Ordinary Fifteen hundred Peices.
2000	Oringall Betteelaes Two thousand Peices.
2000	Betteelaes of 40 Coveds Two thousand Peices.
2000	Ditto of 50 Coveds Two thousand Peices.
1000	Neckcloths One thousand Peices.

Agreed that Twenty Nine Thousand Pagod^s^. be sent to Fort S^t^. David overland under the charge of Kittee Narrain and thirty Peons to carry on their Investment.

There having been complaints made to the Governour of severall causes lying before the Mayors Court undecided for want of meeting of a Court, Agreed that an order be directed to them, to summon Courts to determine all matt[ers] depending before the expiration of his Mayoralty.

The President and Council for the old Companys affairs producing an Account of near Ninety thousand Pagod^s^. that the United Company stands Indebted (on the Generall Bookes ending last April) to the old Company [who] demand Payment of the same, but in regard that if the United Company should pay the whole or a considerable part thereof, 'twould render us uncapable of making the Investments they have ordered. Tis therefore Agreed that they are now pay'd Ten thousand Pagod^s^.

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Ordered that the Warehousekeeper Loads Bales on board the Loyall Cooke. And that he sends to Fort St. David on the first Boat twenty dozen of Plates and six dozen of Dishes for their use.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

14. Ship Prince George sailed out of this Road for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 23D.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT. EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers account for the month of August last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Three hundred Pagodas on Account Stores sold.

Mr. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of August last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pagod.	1,393 : 9 : ...
Charges Dyett and allowances		260 : 23 : 40
Stores		372 : 16 : 40
Charges Cattle		50 : 11 : ...
Charges Extraordinary		1 : ... : ...
Ship Riseing Eagle		2 : 3 : ...
Charges Generall		278 : 8 : ...
Fortification and Repairs		88 : 7 : ...
Riseing Sun Smack		104 : 16 : ...
	Pagods.	[2,550 : 22 : ...]

as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and wo[rks] for said time.

The Kings Duan who is now at St. Thoma who has all along showed great Freindship to the Companys Affair and now being sent for up to the Court to supply the Place of his Brother Deceased who was Lord Steward of ye. Kings Household, we think it for the Interest of the Company to make him a Present to the value of about Two hundred or two hundred and fifty Pagods. in Gold chains, or other things that may be most acceptable leaving it to the Governour to advice therein.

Mr. John Berlu sent a Petition which is as Entered after this Consultation about a Horse given him by the Nabob which was formerly ordered to be the Companys, but in regard the Nabob gave the Company another, and that Mr. Berlu made the Nabob severall Presents of rarietys he had by him at his own charge, we think it but reasonable, he should have the Horse, and to be advised of it in our next Letter thither.

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Mrs. Mead delivers in a Petition as Entered after this Consultation requesting the moiety of her Husbands Estate, ordered that the accomptant drawes out the Account and lay it before the Governour and Council to consider thereof.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Mountegue delivers in his answere to what was offered him of his being last of Council, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Messrs. Frederick, Raworth, Martin, Empson & Fraser delivered in their severall Papers, being their reasons for agreeing and disagreeing to the Governours proposalls for Mr. Mountegue to be sea Customer, and are as Entered after this Consultation.

Mr. Wright desires to be excused from giving his opinion in the aforesaid matter, by reason of his going Home, where he promisses to be sincere with the Company in said business and the Governour likewise delivers in his farther reasons for insisting on Mr. Mountegue to be taken in Sea Customer wch. is also Entered after this Consultation.

Suraupa having often complain'd that whereas at ye. request and desire of all the Casts in Town when Dowed Cawn lay'd before this Place, he sent severall Presents to ye Nabob, Duan, and Buxee &ca. Officers and from time to time had their advice and consent to it, who gave under their hands to reimburse him, and after he drew off his Army they adjusted the Account and made it Three thousand Pagods. which they designed should be pay'd out of the money wch. was raised soon after for the Town Wall, which wn. collected the Governour and Council tooke it all into the Companys Cash, and appropriated to that account, so considering tis highly just and reasonable that Suraupa should be pay'd, Tis agreed that the same be pay'd out of the Money now raising for the Town Wall, and that the Inhabitant[s] make it good by a future Tax.

Mr. Jonathan Hall Second Supra Cargoe of the Loyall Cooke to China delivers in a Petition as Entered after this Consultation setting forth his Contract with the Company that he was to have the Priviledge of Loading one Ton & a halfe on said Ship, or any other for England, and whereas he has sent home some Cinnabarr amounting to about halfe a Ton, he now desires leave to send home the remainder of his Priviledge, which is four Casks of seed Pearle, which is now agreed to be granted him.

Ordered that Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper gives an order to the Commander of Ship Loyall Cooke to receive on board his Ship Two Chests of Japan and China Ware, being for Account of Mr. Thomas Wright who takes his passage home on said ship.

Ordered that Verper Reangell, Anthone Barnardo, and Risoode Priss Topazes be Entertaind Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^{T}.
HON^{BLE}. UNITED ENGLISH EAST
INDIA COMP^{A}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

M^{r}. Secretary acquainted me that your answere to my Petition was that 'twas agreed to receive me in youngest of Council, I did not expect you would have thrown such a slur upon me, when my Seniority, and standing in the Companys Service is equall if not superior to most of the Council of this Place, for twelve yeares agoe I was sent for from Fort S^{t}. David to goe Deputy Governour to the West Coast, but prevented by sickness, and presently after was made provissionall Land Custome[r] for some time, and then sent again to Fort S^{t}. David where I have went thro' all Places of trust, wch. I have discharged without the least blemish to my integrity or ability and I can't but think it the greatest of hardships to those that serve in Subordinate settlements, to be thus bar'd of their just right, but since 'tis soe, I hope for more justice from the Company themselves I am

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Honble. S^{rs}. &c^{a}.
Your most hum^{ble}. Servant
EDM^{D}. MOUNTEGUE.

In answere to the Governours Proposall of advancing M^{r}. Mountegue to be Sea Customer and Third of Council I looke upon it to be our Honble. Masters intentions y^{t}. no one shall be changed or altered in this Council but by their immediate order, they having already fixed it and farther that in case M^{r}. Martin or M^{r}. Raworth shall decline and think themselves not capable of serving in that Post, that as I have hitherto served the Company in severall Stations Honestly & justly I may be as capable as M^{r}. Mountegue.

THOMAS FREDERICK.

I doe beleive M^{r}. Mountegue may be a fitt Person to be Sea Customer, and that it may be an advantage to y^{e}. Comp^{a} he should be in that Employ.

This I should have say'd last Consultation day, but when I began to speake on the Subject then in debate, the Governour stop'd me, telling me I must give my Vote for one or t'other, And consideration that if Mr Martin was incapable of the Employ (which now by succession he ought to have) I might be put into it as soon as M^{r}. Mountegue, induced me to give my Negative Vote.

However I shall wave that; that it mayn't be thought I put my private Interest in competition wth. the Companys, and agree on said consideration with the President in his proposall.

ROB^{T}: RAWORTH.

I don't find by the Companys Letters that we can take M^{r}. Mountegue into Council here (except he comes in last of Council and Storekeeper) there being no clause in their Letters whereby we can put in any body superior to those y^{t}. are nominated by the Company to be of Council here, but in the Company's Letter 'tis mentioned that either by the Death, or absence of seniors those that are Juniors are to succeed, and 'tis ordered that M^{r}. Meverell should be second at Fort S^{t}. David, and then M^{r}. Mountegue by that order can be but Third there. If he's a man of such service and capacity, that he is the man fitt to make Sea Customer here, surely his Masters the old Company wo^{d}. have befreinded him to a higher Post after he had served them so long a Senh^{r}. merchant. 'Tis my opinion that we cannot take him in Sea Customer, and don't at all question but that I can serve my Honble. Masters in that Employ, as faithfull & dilligently as he can doe, and

as much for their Credit as he or any body else, and as for it's being a place of great Trust, I have as Creditable, Substantiall Good freinds that are my security to the Company, as he, that will be answereable in case of any breach of trust in me, and therefore am against his being of Council here.

William Martin.

To the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President and Governour of
Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

S^r.

Having a Consultation the 12th. Instant M^r. Edmund Mountegue delivered a Petition there, the purport of which was he had served the Honble. Company a considerable time, and had hopes the Governour and Council would have their thought[s] of encouragement to him, this cause the Governour &c^a. to think what to doe in this case ; so it was carryed by the Majority he should be youngest of our Council, but upon Second thoughts having longer time to consider am in doubt with myself whether he can be fix't so here, because their Honours has positively appointed him his Post of Council at their Honours Subordinate Factory S^t. David, I cannot say further in this case saving if I have been amiss in my Judgment do with humble submission submitt myself to your Hon^rs. &c. Councils better Judgement. I am

Honble. S^r. &c^a.
Your most Obed^t. hum^ble. Servant.
Matthew Empson.

To the Honble. the President & Govern^r.
of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

As to M^r. Mountagues Paper dated the 26th. August last, thô' not known to the Council till the 12th. Instant, that the same was read to us by the Secretary in Consultation, wherein he requires a Post and Station in the Honble. Comp^s. service sutable to his standing and meritt, upon which the Honble. President proposed him at once to be Fourth of Council here, with the Employ of head Customer at the Sea Gate, by which he was to precede three Gentlemen of the establish'd Council of this Place from England, which after much debate past in the negative by the unanimous votes of the whole Council : that day when the Honble. President required each of the Council to deliver in writing their reasons for their so Voteing by next Consultation day, to which nothing was answered, tho' the Arguments were plain enough in the debates of that whole matter, when it was moved that M^r. Mountegue should be sent for into Consultation, which was not admitted, to know of himself what he required, or expected by this Paper delivered by him having premised thus much I shall now (taking the Honble. Companys orders for my best guidance) humbly offer the following reasons for my not consenting to M^r. Mountegues being a member of this Council as was proposed.

And first by the Honble. the old Companys Establishment, the lowest in Council of Fort S^t. George were to precede and take place of the Cheifs of all subordinate Factorys on this Coast, which has ever since been the practice of this Place, as may more fully appear by severall late instances in the present

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Governours time, as when the Tavestock arrived here on the 14th. of December 1704. from England, and brought us the Honble. Mannagers Generall Letter containg their orders for the establishment of their Councils of this Place and Fort S. David, but there appearing yn. a vacancy in the Council here by the death of some that were nominated and appointed by the Honble. Mañagers, to supply and fill up which, the Honble. President propos'd Mr. Meverell as the next Senr. Merchant, and next to him Mr. Frederick being thought so qualified, as having been before appointed by the old Company one of their Council here, thô then absent and in China their service, yet was elected youngest in the Council for the united affairs thô he arrived not here from China till the last of ffebry. 170¾.

In the March following in the said year there happe[n'd] another vacancy in the Council by Mr. Ellis Death on the 6. or 7. say'd month, to fill up which Mr. Raworth was named, but it being objected that there were [those] then upon the Place much his Senhr. to which the Govr. well answered by saying that he was qualified a Mercht. by the Tavestock and that the New Company expected a proportionable equality in the preferment of their servants with those of the old Companys, and accordingly Mr. Raworth was chosen youngest of the United Companys Council.

Thus matters stood till the primo May 1705 when Mr Martin arrived here on the Loyall Cooke from Amoy [in] China, concerning whom we had orders for his being [taken] into Counsell here, and he was accordingly placed [here] under Mr. Raworth as yoñgest of Council, wh[ich con]tinued till the 27th. of June said year, when [the Fleet] ffrigatt arrived here from England; and Honble. Mannagers Generall Letters dated 12th January 1704. by which Mr. Empson was reinstated in his former place and Mr. Martin next under and below Mr. Marshall as youngest of Council, and upon the first vacancy Mr. Raworth was ordered next after Mr. Martin, as in like case Mr. Frederick next after Mr. Raworth, which was accordingly done, as may appear by the 38th Paragraph of ye. aforesaid Generall Letter, when Mr. Mountague was by proportion and measure of time as much then Senhr, to the former three mentioned Gentlemen as he was when he delivered in his Paper, thô in a Politicall sense they are made & become his Senhrs for the reasons before cited, and cannot that pass now for sence of Argument, which before past for severall good reasons, as may appear if reference be had to the Consultations of those times relating to the severall Elections of the Gentlemen above mentioned, and the case does not alter now.

Besides what hath been say'd Mr. Mountague has by the Honble. Companys orders his station and Place appointed him at Fort St. David whence we cannot remove him to be taken, in any degree of Council here, Mr. Empson formerly, and Mr. Meverell lately are plain Instances of this matter who were ordered to Fort St. David the latter to succeed the former to be second there, and thô neither of these Gentlemen went thither as appointed but stayed here, where they could not be taken into Counsel till the Honble Companys further pleasure were known, who are the only Masters of their own orders, and this being good sense and reason then, why not the same now.

Mr. Mountegue being named some twelve years agoe to be sent Cheif to the West Coast, may be true, and I believe rather than well remember, nor do I make any reflections on, or objections to his merit or capacity, but ye Compas orders, tho even then or before, there were other premotions as that of Anjengo, when we were in quest for a fitting Person to be sent a Cheif there, and since here upon this Coast as Metchlepatam and Maddapollam, and lately [at] Vizagapatam, where three Cheifs have succeeded after the death of Mr Holcombe, and all by appointment hence, to any of which Places Mr. Mountegue was never so much as named; thô those Gentlemen were all of them his Junrs.

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Upon the whole I adhere to the Honble. Companys orders as that I cannot consent to any thing that seem's soe contrary to the constitution of their Council here, and at Fort S^{t}. David, to whose good pleasure I humbly submitt whatever may be the Event, because I remember the 39 Paragraph of the Generall Lett^{r}. by the Fleet ffrigat.

So that my humble opinion is that I think and beleive M^{r}. Martine is now, and may more and more daily improve himself capable of the sea Customers employ, by the help of so many good assistance of great experience, as are placed there, and the Custome House [bookes] wherein the Manifests, and Entryes of all Goods Exported and imported are Registrated, and lye open to the view and Perusall of any concerned, and is a good Index to ye knowledge and value of all manner of Bengall &c^{a} Goods by which means the Comp^{a} cannot well be wronged unless all their servants there should confederate and conspire the same, the Paymasters Employ being much more intricate and misterious, and Mr Martin has been though[t] fitt and capable to have been sent first Cape Merch^{t} on ye New Comp^{s} Ship Catherine where he &c^{a} mannaged a stock of upwards of £20000. Sterl^{g}: with Credit and applause.

WILLIAM [FRASER]

I having enter'd my reasons in the last Consultation for the proposing of M^{r}. Mountague to be Sea Customer, and I think sufficient to convince all men that aim at nothing but ye Companys Interest, and such as understand it, and whereas 'tis the Companys orders that meritt shall be preferrable to seniority ; I can't but Justifie that in this my proposall they are equally link'd together, and Warranted by Preced^{ts}. made by the Company of late, who have 'twice taken the Sea Customer from this board, and made him Second of Fort S^{t}. David and brought back the Second of Fort S^{t}. David, and made him Sea Customer here, from which it can't but be inferred that they intend the Second of Fort S^{t}. David to be superior to the Junior Council here, then I desire you Gentlemen of Council to consider that the Cheif Justicies Employ at the Choultry devolves upon him that is Sea Customer, who you can't but know ought to be a man well versed in the Customs, and Justice of the Choultry, and if he be otherwise of course he must relye upon a Knavish Dubash, and bring destruction upon the People, what I have proposed and say'd in this matter, is without any design to lesson the Person that should of course come into this Employ, but as one man is more capable then another, 'tis my Duty as your Governour to propose such as are most capable more especially in Employs of such great importance for none can think that I reap any manner of advantage from one, or that I have any prejudice to the other, but [*bona*] *fide*, do it for the Companys Interest, so hope 'twill be agr[eed] to by all the Council, who ought to do the same, but if otherwise I charge the ill consequences on those that oppose it, and clear myself thereof by this my Declaration.

THOMAS PITT.

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To

THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.,
PRESIDENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE AND
GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID &CA.,
COUNCIL.

THE PETITION OF JOHN BERLU.

Humbly Sheweth :

That whereas your Honr. &ca were pleased to order him to go with a Present to the Nabob he after presenting a Horse for the Company was so kind as to give yor. Petitioner and Mollem, each one, but I have heard yor. Honr. &ca are of opinion that mine belongs to the Rt. Honble. CompR. which is the occasion that your Petitioner has presumed on your Honr. &ca goodness to crave your favour towards him, and humbly begs you'l please to take it into your Honrs. &cR serious consideration that nothings fre'r then Gift, and that you'l please to vouchsafe to Lett yor. Petitioner keep his Horse which he shall esteem a great favour and as in Duty bound shall ever Pray.

To

THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT &CA COUNCIL FOR AFFAIRS
OF THE RT. HONBLE. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
IN FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE PETITION OF JONATHAN HALL.

Humbly Sheweth

That Your Petitioner being lately Second Supra Cargoe of the Ship Loyall Cooke, and having a Licence to Load on board her, or any other of the Honble Companys Ships from China to this Place, or hence to England any Goods not prohibited by their Indulgence and not exceeding one Ton and a halfe, and he having as yet loaded no more upon any of their Ships than Four Boxes of Native Cinnabar ps. 9 ct. : 1 q. : 16 lb. and the Loyall Cooke being now bound for England, and he having got four Casks of course seed Pearle ps. 20 ct. : 1 q. which with the aforesd. Cinnabar does not exceed his priviledge of one Ton and a Halfe.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly Prays that you wod. be pleased to permitt him to Load the aforesaid ffour Casks of seed Pearle on board the said Loyall Cooke Capt. Richard Boulton Commander.

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SEPTEMBER 23D. 1706.

To

THE HONBLE. GOVERNR. AND COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

The humble Petition of Penelope Mead, desireing to have some money out of my Husbands Estate, and to have an Account of all money or Debts that the Rt. Honble Company has in their Custody, and an Accompt of what, or how much money has been pay'd to me since the Death of Mr. Mead, & an Account of his Funerall Charges, and to be permitted to goe for England in the first ship, wherein can have a resid[ence] or reception convenient for me, and to be informed wh[at] or how much salary was due to Mr. Mead when he dyed and I begg

to have Bills from your Honour and the Gentlemen of the Council for what money there is, or will be remaining in the Companys Cash, for I hope the halfe of what was my husbands Estate will be allowed to me by the goodness and favour of your Honour and Council and I shall ever Pray.

Huglyana Ketch arrived in this road from the West Coast. 24TH.

At a Consultation

Present

Wednesday 25TH.

Thomas Pitt Esq^R. Governour & President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of York Fort dated 6th. of August last now read, advising their having drawn Bills of Exchange on us for Dollars 14188: 3: 1. the consideration of which deferred to another meeting.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 21st. Instant now read and approved.

Ordered that Tomen de Rosairo at his request be discharged from further service in the Gunroome Crew of this Garrison.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday [Saturday] 28TH.

Thomas Pitt Esq^R. Governour and President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

The Company having ordered in their List of Goods to be provided this year some Izarees and Oringall Betteelaes of 12 yards; the New Companys Merchants having some by them we have agreed for the quantity and Prizes as followeth Vizt.

Izarees 5 Corge 16 Covds. Long 2¼ Broad at Pags. 20 ₱ Corge, for wch. the New Company gave as ₱ their Invoice 26.

Oringall Betteelaes 12yds. Long 2⅛ cods. Broad 20. ₱ Corge at Pags. 20. ₱ Corge, for wch. the New Compa. gave upwards of 30.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper receive the aforesaid Goods according to the Musters now produced, and Pack them up that they may goe by this Ship.

The Huglyana Ketch wanting repairs, which is a very good Vessell, and great pitty should run to ruin, and whereas the Master sayes she would sail and work much better was she made a Ship, 'tis therefore Agreed she be sent to Bengall in order thereto, and that the Teak Plank she brought from the West Coast be continued on board to sheath Her and what other she shall want so as to

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prevent their usi[ng] any Bengall Timber about her; that we write to the Council to Load her thence to the West Coast, or hither with Salt Petre &ca. for the Company.

Kittee Narrain offering Fifteen ℔ Cent upon Invoice for the Black, Blew, and Cloth Colours Broad Cloth, and Perpetuanoes in the Warehouse, and to pay the money in a month. 'Tis agreed that the Warehousekeeper delivers them to him, thinking it much better to sell them then let them, lye and be Eaten up with the moth.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Eight Thousand Pagods. on Accot. Silver sold.

Mr. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his sea Custom Accot. for the month of August last vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported ...	P.	1290 :	18 :	3.
Custom on Grain		32 :	26 :	5.
Anchorage		45 :	— :	—.
	Pags.	1368 :	9 :	2.

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Comps. Cash One Thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

This day we had severall Bills presented for our acceptance from the West Coast, which were agreed to be pay'd for the reasons following

For that by the Huglyana we gave them leave to draw on us for 6: or 7000 Dollars, and for the doubling that sum̃ they plead the utmost necessity they were under.

2dly. We can't tell how to refuse payment till we publish yt. none belonging to this Place shall trust them, for that the Governour and Council here, have from the first settlement of that Place gave incouragement thereto, and without Crediting of them we believe that Place must be undone.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagods. be advanced ye. Washermen towards curing the Rt. Honble. Comps. Callicoes.

Robt. Raworth. Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Frederick. Will: Fraser.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 3d.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governr. and President.
William Fraser. Thomas Wright.
Matt: Empson. William Martin.
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President read his Account of the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash for the month of September last Ballance being Pagods. 24798 : 10 : 5.

This day in Consultation the Governr. opened the secrett Packet in order to dispatch the Ship 5 or 6 days hence.

Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Accot. for the month of August last, as also his Account Remains wch. he now delivers to Mr. Matthew Empson, and payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash the sum̃ of Three thousand and Eleven Pagods. 26 fa. 50 ca. being the Ballance of his Warehouse Account.

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Agreed that One Thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. William Martin Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Generall Letter from the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 3^d^. September now read.

Ordered that the Accomptant drawes out the Acco^t^. of the last half years salary due to the R^t^. Honble. Companys Servants of this Place.

Ordered that Francisco Gee Topaz be Entertaind a souldier and Francisco Leman of the Gunroome Crew.

ROB^T^. RAWORTH. THO: PITT.
THO: FREDERICK. WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT. TUESDAY 8TH.
WILLIAM FRASER. THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

Generall Letters from the Council for the United Affairs in y^e^. Bay of Bengall dated 25 of August and 9th. September now read.

Generall Letters from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 27th. September now read.

Generall Letter from M^r^. Faucett at Metchlepat^m^. dated 29th. August and 19 September now read.

Capt. Richard Boulton appeals from a Judgement in y^e^. Mayors Court for moneys Attatched in his Hands by M^r^. Thomas Wright for Account of a Debt owing by M^r^. Petty to Capt. Wright at Bombay, the Governour likewise atta[ched] money of M^r^. Pettys in Capt. Boultons hands for a Debt owing to M^r^. Hayes in England, and insists that whereas M^r^. Petty is dead every Creditor upon the Place ought to come in for his Proportion, or that the money remain in Capt. Boultons Hands to be divided amongst them in England for what demanded here being old Debts, and many years standing, 'Tis therefore unanimously Agreed that the ata[ch]ments be discharged, and that the money remains in Capt. Boultons Hands to be accomptable to his Executor in England.

Generall Letter to the R^t^. Honble. Mannagers dated 12th. September and 8th. Instant, to the Directors of the New Company dated 21st. September, Fort S^t^. George, answere to the New Companys Remonstrances dated 21st. Septemb^r^. last all now read again and signed.

Ordered that Pasquall d' Cruze and Manuel de Mount Topazes be Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

———*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1706*———

8TH. Ship Loyall Cooke Fired a Gun and spread her Colours to signifie she was full.

9. Ship Paujilee Augalee Emain Cooley Noquedah saild for Bengall.

11. Yesterday evening about 5 Mr. Wright and Capt. Boulton went on board, and eleven at night the Ship sailed.

— Riseing Sun Smack sailed for Fort St. David.

16. Ship Mary Gallee belonging to ye. seperate Stock arrived frõ Bencoolen.

17. Huglyana Ketch Chars. Hopkins Mastr. saild for Bengall.

24. Ship Mary Gallee saild for Bengall.

— Ship Madrass Merchant John Cornelius Master sail'd for Timore.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 24TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of September last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sũm of Three thousand seven hundred sixty Nine Pagods. 27 fa. : 20 ca. as the Ballance of that months Account, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper three hundred and eleven Rupees.

Mr. Peter Wallis presenting a Bill of Exchange from ye. West Coast, which we were advised of via Bengall amounted to Dollars 386. Agreed that the same be pay'd for ye. reason given in our Consultations of the 24th. of August last, when we pay'd a Bill of 5390. Dollars, which came at ye. same time.

By the going away of Mr. Wright there happening to be [a] vacancy in the Council, which occasioned the removeall [of] persons from one Employ to another, 'twas put to ye. Vote whether Mr. Martin should succeed Sea Customer which was carryed in the affirmative, when ye. Governour and Mr. Raworth gave their Negative for their reason Entered in the Consultation of the 23d. of September last. Agreed that Mr Raworth succeed Mr. Martin in the Paymasters Employ, Mr. Frederick succeed Mr. Raworth in the Land Customers Employ, and to Enter upon their Employs the first of next month, & forthwith clear their accounts in the Employs they now are in.

Mr. Richard Hunt being next in seniority of the Companys servants residing in this Place, Tis Agreed he be taken in last of Council, and that he succeed Mr. Frederick in the Storekeepers Employ, and continue being Rentall Generall and Scavenger during the time he takes charge of the Generall Bookes.

Agie-a-Calus Coja Surhaad's Vacqueel gives in a Petition against Auga Pera for Goods and money he had received belonging to Coja Surhaad, whose Petition is as Entered after this Consultation, and Auga Peras answere, the consideration of which is referred to our next meeting.

There being an old Persia Mare of the Companys in the stable all most useless, Ordered that the Paymaster sells her Monday next at Publick Outcry, and signifie the same by affixing Notes on the Gates.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1706—

M^r^. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of September last Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	Pag^s^.	1,211 :	20 :	—.
Charges Dyett and allowances	„	277 :	32 :	—.
Stores	„	49 :	17 :	—.
Charges Cattle	„	67 :	33 :	—.
Charges Extraordinary	„	6 :	14 :	—.
Maddapollam Yatch	„	1 :	26 :	40.
Riseing Sun Smack	„	4 :	5 :	40.
Charges Generall	„	339 :	16 :	—.
Fortification and repairs	„	95 :	28 :	—.
	Pagods. ...	2,054 :	12 :	—.

as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and works for said time.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom[s] Account for the month of September last Viz^t^.

Choultry Custom	Pag^s^.	108 :	30 :	—.
Rubie Broakers	„	16 :	10 :	10.
Town Broakers	„	15 :	11 :	75.
Registring Slaves	„	1 :	12 :	—.
	Pag^s^. ...	141 :	30 :	21.

and payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash two hundred Pagodas on account Land Customs.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers account for the month of September last.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his sea Custom[s] account for the month of September last.

Custom on Goods Imported & exported	P.	1,193 :	20 :	72.
Custom on Grain	„	46 :	2 :	40.
Anchorage	„	83 :	—.	—.
	Pag^s^.	1,322 :	23 :	32.

and payes into the R^t^. Honble. Comp^s^. Cash Three thousand Pagd^s^. on that Account.

M^r^. Empson Warehousekeep^r^. reads his Acco^t^. for ye months of August and September last, and payes into Cash twenty four thousand Pagod^s^. on Account Goods sold.

M^r^. Fraser Accomptant produces the Acco^t^. salary due to y^e^. Comp^s^. Servants of this Place Amo^t^. Pag^s^. 1,501. 7. 2. Agreed the same be pay'd.

Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Five thousand one hundred thirty five Pagod^s^. twenty nine fanams thirty Cash as the Ballance of their Account Currant in M^r^. Wrights time.

Agreed that Ten thousand Pagod^s^. be sent to Fort S^t^. David by Peons overland.

M^r^. William Jennings Steward payes into Cash One hundred and fifty Pagod^s^. 11.^fa^ 20.^ca^ Account Salt Pork sold.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1706——

The President and Council for the old Companys Affairs acquaint us that in a Bill drawn on them by the Loyall Cooke for Rupees 9741$\frac{7}{9}$ payable to Capt. Richard Boulton there is in it 1000 shahees for a pair of large Carpetts sent hither on the London in the year 1703. and 64 shahees for Garden seeds ℘ ship Monsoon 1705. which is to be pay'd for by the United Company. Agreed that 1064. shahees which makes Pagod^s^. 38. for the aforesaid Carpetts and Garden Seeds be pay'd to the President and Council for the old Comp^s^. Affairs.

Ordered that Lucas Gonsalvass, John Cornelius, Manh^ll^.de sozee Topasses are Entertaind souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^D^. HUNT.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESID^T^. OF THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL
AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF EGIEA CALUS.

Humbly Sheweth.

That whereas your Petitioner Residing here in this Town as Factor for affairs of Coja Sur[haad] now in Bengall from whence he remitted me by Shipping Forty Nine Chests of Ophium, and Ten Bales of Fine Cossacs, as also a Bill of Lading, Invoice and Letters all in a Packett, at the safe arrivall of the Ship Coja Hagapeery Clandestinely tooke possession of said Packet, Ophium, & Bales, did not acquaint your Petitioner any thing of it, but continuing in his irregular proceedings, refuses to deliver yor. Petitioner said consignment, pretending some Accounts to be between your Petitioners Master, and the said Coja Augapera, who tooke likewise from Gregory Panues Four hundred and fifty Tomauns from Persia sent to your Petitioner all which will amount to about Ten thousand Pagod^s^. according to currant sale here.

Your Petitioner is ordered by his Master Coja Suratt from Bengall to pay M^r^. Addison Six Thousand Pago^s^. out of the produce of said Goods, can't comply with Coja Augapera being in possession of the Goods &c^a^.

Now may it please your Hon^r^. if in reality and account is depending between your Petitioners Master and said Coja Anga Pera, your Petitioner requesteth, that Mr Addision may be pay'd first, and the business be examined, ye remainder to be deposited into your hands till his Master comes here from Bengall, or send his Attorneys to plead the case and in mid time your Petitioner implores Justice, a[nd] as in duty bound shall ever Pray.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^T^. HON^BLE^.
UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE
COAST OF CHOROMANDELL &C^A^ COUNCIL.

THE ANSWERE OF AGA PEREE TO A PETITION PREFERRED AGAINST HIM BY ELLIAS CALLOOSE.

May it Please your Hon^r^. &c^a^.

Elias Calloose having made a complaint to your Hon^r^. &c^a^ that your Orator had seiz'd a[list] of Goods sent up hither by Coja Surhaad, which is but a sly and malicious insinuation, for Coja Surhaad did send said Goods to your Orators to

dispose of and remitt the produce thereof to him, as ꝑ his Letter to your Orator will appear, but they being the propper Goods of your Orator, your Orator has thought fitt to send them to other Places, where they may turne to a better Account, which is the constant and known Custome among the Armenians whenever their Gomashter refuses to make up Accounts, as ꝑ a certificate under the Hands of the most substantial Merchants of our Nation in this Place will appear, as for that forged Account which Elias Calloose (without any Power, or Authority from Coja Surhaad) has presented to your Honour &c^{a} your Orator can easily detect the falshood thereof by Coja Surraads own Letters who acknowledges therein that he has of your Orators to the Amount of Ten thousand Toman which is three Lack of Rupees, and desires your Orator to come to Bengall to make up Accounts with him, but your Orator has so happily experienced ye Honours, Justice, and Integrity of the English Government in these parts, y^{t} he shall never be perswaded to make his application for Justice elsewhere, and I believe your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} will deem it a very preposterous Action in your Orator to be so very importunate with your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} to send for Coja Surraad up hither if your Orator was any wayes Indebted to him, but with humble submission to yor. Hon^{a}. &c^{a} your Orator thinks that Person deserving no small punishment who shall have the impudence to present your Honour &c^{a} with a notorious and apparent falshood, and your Orator is ready to bind himself with sufficient security in the penalty of Two thousand Pagod^{s}. to the R^{t}. Honble. Company if upon Coja Surhaads arrivall here he is not found very considerably Indebt'd to your Orator, and if Elias Calloose hath either Hono^{r}. or honesty he cannot refuse to do the same in behalfe of what he has alledged against your Orator besides when Coja Surraad Entertaind Elias Calloose for hi[s] Gomaster, and gave him a sum of money to Trade with [It] is declared in the obligation Surraad took of him, that y^{e}. Money was part of the stock of our Orator in his hands. As for the money in the hands of Gregory Phanoes & Elias Calloose your Orator hath Attatch'd it long before these Bills of Exchange came and humbly beggs it may be deposited in Court for part satisfaction of Coja Suraads Debt to your Orator, which if your Orator does not prove to your Honour, &c^{a} and the worlds satisfaction he is willing to be condemned in such a penalty as your Honours &c^{a} shall then think fitt, all this your Orator humbly leaves to your Hon^{rs}., &c^{a} wisdome and prudence to determine in whose approved Justice your Orator sh[all] ever humbly acquiesse.

This day the Governour received advices that Nabob Dowed Cawn was come to Pullamullee, and from then designed for S^{t}. Thoma, upon which he immediately dispatch'd our Mulla and Braminy to him with a Compliment. 31st

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

[NOVEMBER] FRIDAY P^{mo}.

The President acquaints that the 31st of past month he had pay'd the Merchants Eleven Thousand Pagod^{s} upon ye Warehousekeepers Note advising

him they had brought into the Warehouse above that Amount in Brown Callicoes according to the established advance upon Brown Cloth when delivered out to wash.

The Nabob being at Pullamullee who we are advised is coming to S^t^. Thoma, the Governour thought necessary to preserve a right understanding with him to send the Braminy and Mulla thither with a complyment, & to endeavour to informe themselves the intent of his coming into these parts.

Agreed one Thousand Pag^s^. be advanced M^r^. Willm. Martin Paymaster to defray the Expences of y^t^ employ in wch he servd last mo^th^.

M^r^. William Fraser Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of August & September last.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Warehousekeep^r^ payes into Cash the sum of Five Thousand Pagod^s^. on Acco^t^. Goods sold.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends to Washing all the Brown Cloth now in the Warehouse received from Vizagapatam.

Ordered that what Joshua Page Late farmer of the Wine Licence owes be carryed off to Profit and Loss, there being nothing more to be recovered.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagodas be advanced to M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray the expences of ye mo^th^.

THO. PITT.
WILL FRASER.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
RICH^D^. HUNT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY 2^D^

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Nabob arriving yesterday at S^t^. Thoma, and this morning our Mulla Braminy returning to us, sayes that the Nabob received very well the Governours compl[ym^t^.] and did intend to come and stay some dayes at a Garden house a little to the southward of this Town, which [wee] ordered to be cleaned up for his reception if he continued that resolution, which we were resolved should not be incouraged to by any Invitation, they likewise told us [that] they beleived he came not with a design to give us any trouble, which they inferr from the small Force he brought with him, which were not above Five or Six hundred Horse, and Foot, from which we could make no Judgement he having the Country all about at Command, and not knowing what Forces he might have ordered to follow him from Arcott, which induced the Governour to give his orders to double the Guards, and dispose matters for our defence, the Mulla and Braminy further acquainted us that the Nabob in his discourse showed an Earnest inclination to come and dine with the Governour, & spoake many kind things of the English, which they usually doe of all People, when they are carrying on the worst of designs against them.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1706——

The Governour summoned this Counsel not only to acquaint them what before mentioned, but to consider to send some of the Council to complyment him, about which we likewise consulted some of our Merchants, & our Mulla and Braminy, who all agreed that 'twas absolutely necessary to be done, thô we ourselves were not so unanimous in that Point, but considering that it was alwayes Customary (except that time when came in an Hostile manner) we are apprehensive should we now omitt paying him that respect, it may induce him to give us trouble, more especially in our Investment now carrying on, which made us resolve to send Messrs. Raworth and Frederick and Henry Davenport Sec^ry^. and immediatly to send away the Mulla to the Nabob to know when they shall attend him.

The Directions of the Gentlemen that went were to give the Governours service, and acquaint him of the great Deference he had for his Person, and how often he acknowledged the great obligations he had to him, but by all means avoid incouraging his coming hither to dinner, and if the Nabob should press it, to decline giv[ing] any answer, saying it was a matter about which they had no directions from the Governour.

Our Durbar People representing to us the necessity there was of giving a Present, and all of us being of ye same opinion 'tis left the Governour to informe himself what is proper and necessary, but ye quantity to be adjusted next Consultation.

The Accomptant produces the amount of M^r^. Meads Deceased Estate amounting to Pagod^s^. 2120 : 29 :—

Agreed a moiety thereof be pay'd his widdow.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^D^. HUNT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. SUNDAY 3RD.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour acquaints the Council that the Mulla returning yesterday about noone from the Nabob told him that he was ready to receive the Vessett we intended him, so that he immediatly dispatch'd those Gentlemen yesterday ordered to goe, who returned again in the evening acquainting him of the Extraordinary kind reception they had from his Excellency and how Generous he had been to them, who also sent the Governour a Jewell worth between one hundred and one hundred and fifty Pag^s^. and that he had given each of them an Emrold Ring worth about 30 or 40 Pagod^s^. a peice & M^r^. Coningsby & Doct^r^. Bulkley who accompany'd them each Emrold Ring worth about 20 Pag^s^. apeice but this Generousity of his was sowered very much by pressing in an extraord^ry^. manner to come and dine with the Governour to wch. the Gentlemen made answere as

directed, who the Nabob then enjoyn'd as also Narrain to tell the Governour he desired to come and Dine with him to which he expect[d]. an immediate answere, of which this morning we maturely considered, and consulted our Durbar People, & were all of opinion that should we possitively refuse his coming we should entirely forfete his Freindship, which in severall respects would be of ill consequence to the Companys Affairs, so resolved to send Narrain and the Mulla to the Nabob to acquaint him from the Gov[r]. that the Honour he designed him to dine with him, was too great for him to expect, or desire, but since he was informed that 'twas his pleasure and inclination he should be very wellcome but requested he w[d]. bring but twenty of his guards with him, for that by the Queens order he could receive no more into the Fort, which if he Agreed too, they were then to desire he would be pleased to appoint his day.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
RICH[D]. HUNT. THO. FREDERICK.

About Noone this day returned Narrain and the Mull[a] from the Nabob, who acquainted the Governour that they had attended him as ordered, who continued his ear[nest] desire to come and dine with the Governour and that [he] had appointed to morrow as the day, and promissed he would bring no more then Twenty of his Guards with him, upon which the Governour gave out orders for making sutable preparations on such an occasion.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 4TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This morning the Governour summoned the Council to consider of, and resolve on the quantum of the Present for the Nabob, and to see what he had provided, which he was informed would be most acceptable to him, and desired that Two of the Council may be appointed to weigh, tell, & make up the Account thereof to prevent the like base and voile informations that has formerly been given against some of his Predecessours of cheating the Company in y[e] Amount of their Presents, and for the same reason he had valued the Jewell that the Nabob sent him, and the Rings he gave the other Gentlemen as mentioned in a foregoing Consultation. Agreed that the Present now to be made to the Nabob, in consideration that he has had nothing of Value for these four years past, to be to the Amount of One Thousand Pagod[s]. and not to exceed that sum, and y[t]. M[r] Empson and M[r] Raworth takes the Account and makes up the Present by the Direction of the Governour.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1706*——

The Nabob being to dine here to day, 'tis now agreed that Narrain and the Mulla wait on him at S^{t}. Thoma to accompany him hither, and to acquaint him that the Gentlemen that were to Vissett him would wait for him at the Garden between this Place and S^{t}. Thoma to attend him hither.

Tho : Pitt.
Will : Fraser.
M : Empson.
W : Martin.
Rob^{T}. Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.
Rich^{D}. Hunt.

Narrain and the Mulla went to wait on the Nabob at S^{t}. Thoma as ordered this day, and the Gentlemen of Council to the Garden, whither he came about noone, when Narrain decerning that a considerable part of his Forces followed him at least two hundred Horse and Foot, told him he hoped [he] did not expect the Governour should admitt them all to the ffort, who he was confident would not any mo[re] then what agreed on, therefore desired that he would keep his promise, to which he answered that if he went, all th[ose] must be admitted with him, so lighted at the Garden, & bid Narrain goe and acquaint the Governour with his resolution, and that if he could not be received with all his Company it should be the same thing to him if we sent the Dinner to him where he was at ye Garden, with which message Narrain came, and soon after the Secretary confirmed the same, when the Governour possitively refused to receive him with more y^{n}. twenty men, so ordered the Dinner immediatly to be carryed to him to the Garden with all other necessarys, whither the Secretary and Narrain returned, who were to acquaint the other Gentlemen wth. the Governours resolution, and that the Guns he intended to Fire, they should acquaint the Nabob was the Kings health, his own, and such of the great Ministers of State [as] was his Freinds, and would oblige him thereby, the Present was also sent with a List to M^{r}. Raworth.

About five this evening Messrs. Raworth &c^{a} returned from the Garden, and gave the Governour the following Accom[pts].

That the Nabob at first seem'd out of humour at the answere that was sent him, it was beleived he would not dine there, but after some paucing he dissembled his resentment and sett down to Dinner, and Eat heartily and tasted the Liquors sent him which he liked very well, after Dinner the Present was sett before him, which at first he seemingly refused, but afterwards accepted of it, and soon after he rose up and returned to S^{t}. Thoma, and tooke Narrain with him, by whom he sent a Horse value about One hundred Pagod^{s}.

Received ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of 14TH
Vizagapatam dated the 20th of October as also a Generall from S^{r}. Nicholas Waite &c^{a} Council at Bombay dated 13th August last.

At a Consultation — Thursday 14$_{TH}$

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^{R}. Govern^{R}. and President.
William Fraser. Matthew Empson.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of October last Ball^{ce}. being Pagod^{s}. 32174 : 15 : 3.

———*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1706*———

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of October last, and payes into Cash One hundred twenty nine Pagodas 23[fa]. 40[ca]. for Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper 828 Rup[s]. 2[anns]. for Custom on silver coined.

Ponagetto Narso &c[a] Tobacco Beetle ffarmers payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Cash Five hundred eighty three Pag[s]. twelve fanams on that Account.

M[r]. Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the Companys Cash One Thousand Pagod[s]. Account Sea Customs.

M[r]. Thomas Frederick Storekeeper reads his Account Stores for the month of October last, and pay's into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Company's Cash ffour hundred fifty seven Pagod[s] 4[fa]. 31 [ca]. being the Ballance of his Storekeepers Account.

M[r]. Robert Raworth Land Customer reads his Land Custom Acco[t]. for the month of October last Viz[t].

[*Lacunae.*]

and pay's into Cash Five hundred thirty one Pag[s]. 31[fa]. 54[ca]. [be]ing the Ballance of his Land Custom acco[t].

Ordered that M[r]. William Jennings Steward buys up and keep three hundred Hoggs, in order to salt for the service of the Garrison.

M[r]. Joseph Smart pays into Cash the sum of one hundred twenty eight Pagod[s]. nine fanams, being part of the money yet remaining which was formerly assest to defray the expences of building the Black Town Wall and works.

In the late rainy weather the Wall next the River (of the Ground commonly called M[r]. Peachys, which belongs to the Greenhills) fell down, where by the Town lyes open on that syde, 'Tis therefore ordered that the Paymaster makes it up in the manner that it is built from the Round Point to that Ground, and keep a distinct Account thereof that so it may be charged to those that lay claim thereto.

M[r]. Haynes who dyed at Fort S[t]. David, and leaving severall Children, and made only a noncupative Will, upon w[ch]. the President and Council for the old Companys Affairs appointed Mess[rs]. Mountague and Games Trustees to collect w[t]. Estate was left, the latter being Dead, M[r]. Mountegue represents to the Governour the necessity of disposing of his house at Cuddaloor for the good of the Orphans, which House by reason of the commodiousness of it's situation, and the Dep[y]. Governour and Council of that Place having formerly represented the necessity of buying it for the Company to prevent it falling into other hands, we were treating with M[r]. Haynes about it, who at first insisted upon Two thousand Pagodas, but at last was brought to seventeen hundred, when he soon after dyed without coming to any conclusion, and the reasons now being as strong or stronger for buying it, for that on all occasions that house is made the Magazeen and Court of Guard at Cuddaloor, and the old Factory being become unhabitable, so that the Company wants Lodgings for their servants that reside there, who of late have Rented houses for that purpose, Tis therefore agreed that we buy the House for the use of the Company for Eleven hundred Pagod[s]. but deferr concluding the bargain 'till we have the opinion of the Deputy Governour and Council there in this matter.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David dated 4th. Instant now read, advising of their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pag[s]. 18[0] payable to M[r]. William Jenings, agreed it be comply'd with.

Agreed that the Vizagapatam Bill of Exchange for 1500 Rupees payable to the Minister and Church Wardens of this Church be pay'd.

———*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1706*———

Ordered that Mess[rs]. Empson and Raworth do make up the whole Account of all Charges we have been at in Presents &c[a] to Nabob Dowed Cawn, whilst his stay at S[t]. Thoma and report the same to this Board.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
RICH[D]. HUNT. THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

THURSDAY 21ST.

Generall Letter from M[r]. Thomas Faucett at Metchlepat[m]. dated 8th Instant now read.

M[r]. Faucett having lately advised us from Metchlepet[m]. that the Rashwarr at Maddapollam obstantly refuses to permitt him to pull down the Old Factory there, for which end he has been continued there some time, besides the Govern[r]. at Metchlepatam sends him daily duns for a Present, to prevent which and other Charges, 'tis agreed that M[r]. Faucett be ordered hither the first opportunity that presents of Ship or Vessell, and to leave the Factorys under the care of M[r]. Noden, as it was formerly in the old Companys time allowing him five Pagodas ℔ mensem.

Mess[rs]. Empson and Raworth do now deliver in the Acco[t]. of what Charges we have been at whilst Nabob Dawed Cawn was at S[t]. Thoma, and is as follows, Viz[t].

Amount of the Warehousekeep[rs]. Acco[t]. ...	Pag[s]. 956 :	23 ;	—.
Amount of the Paymasters Account	75 :	35 :	40.
Amount of the Stewards Account	142 :	9 :	—.
	Pagod[s]. 1174 :	31 :	40.

M[r]. Richard Hunt Rentall Generall payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash the sum of six hundred Pagod[s]. on Account Quitt Rents.

Agreed three months Town Conicoplys duty be pay'd to Mannangapah.

M[r]. Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of October last Viz[t].

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Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pag^s. ...	1,794 :	27 :	6.
Custom on Grain	...	13 :	24 :	20.
Anchorage	...	17 :	—	—.
	Pagod^s. ...	1,825 :	15 :	26.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T: RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^D. HUNT.

[. . .] Sent by Peons overland to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^t. David the sum̃ of Six Thousand Pagodas.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 28

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

M^r. Matthew Empson Late Sea Customer payes into the R^t. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of One Thousand Pagodas on Account Sea Customs.

M^r. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of October last.

M^r. William Martin Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of October last Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	Pagod^s.	1,301 :	2 :	—
Charges Dyett and allowances...	...	278 :	7 :	
Stores	...	156 :	25 :	—
Charges Cattle	...	72 :	20 :	—
Charges Extraordinary...	...	5 :	7 :	—
Charges Generall	...	325 :	13 :	—
Fortifications and repairs	...	59 :	34 :	—
Ketch Huglyana	...	423 :	— :	—
Bengall Presidency	...	94 :	8 :	—
Rising Sun Smack	...	1 :	12 :	—
	Pagod^s: ...	2,717 :	20 :	—

and pay's into the R^t. Honble. United Companys Cash Four hundred thirty four Pagodas. 10^fa. as the Ballance of his Paymasters Acco^t.

M^r. William Martin Paymaster reads his Account of the Black Town Wall and worke for the month of October last; Ballance due to him being thirty five Pagod^s. 32 : 15. which is agreed to be pay'd out of Cash.

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Mr. William Martin Paymaster payes into Cash the sum of fifty Pagodas bng for an old Persia Mare sold at Outcry.

Henry Davenport Secretary payes into the Rt. Honble. United Company Cash Eleven Pagods. 21f. 40Ca. Account Secretarys ffees for Passes and further payes One hundred fifty Six Pagods. for permission of Passengers on Ship Loyall Cooke for England.

Agreed that Five Hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David wrote us for a Secretary, and we having none here fitt to send them for that Employ, 'tis agreed that we take again into the service Mr. Bulteel, (who formerly lade it down to goe to sea for his health,) if they approve thereof, and to take his standing from the time he left the service.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper putts One Thousand peices of Longcloth to dying of a deep Blew as the Company directs.

There appearing to be a mistake in assesing the Toddy People 180 Pagodas, 'tis agreed they pay but 100. and the [Jeanderawarr] Cast [als.] Weavers the other 80. and that whereas the Bramins are Assest but 100. Pagods. that it be made 150. that ye. Dancing women Cast be assest 200 Pags. & yt. the Setteegurry Cast wch. was assest 200. be reduced to 100. there being here very few of that Cast.

THO : FREDERICK.	W : MARTIN.	THO : PITT.
RICHD. HUNT.	ROBT. RAWORTH.	WILL : FRASER.
		M : EMPSON.

Dispatchd ℔ Pattamars to Anjengo Duplicate of our last Letters to Persia to be forwarded thence by Shipping thither. [DECEMBER 4TH.]

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 9TH.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of November last, Ballance Pagods. 38493 : 35 : 1.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of November last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One Hundred sixty Nine Pagodas 13fa. 40ca. Account Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeepr. 1284. Rups. 13ans. Account Silver coined.

The following Generall Letters received were now read Vizt.

ffrom the Depty. Governr &ca at Fort St. David datd. 30th Novemr. 1706.
ffrom the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall datd. 21st Ditto.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1706*——

Agreed to send Ten thousand Pagod^s^. to Fort S^t^. David overland with Mr Mountegue &c^a^ or remitt it by Bills if they offer before he goes.

Mr William Fraser Accomptant does now read the Journall parcells of Accounts for the month of October last

Agreed One Thousand Pagodas be advanced Mr Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St David having wrott severall times for a proper Person for their Chief Gunner and we having here none so fit for that Employ as Ensign Hugonin, Tis agreed that he be sent Chief Gunner of that Place.

M^r^. John Roach presents the Governour a Petition to be Employed in the Military here sutable to the Post he lay's down at Bombay which was a Lieutenant, and for his good behaviour there, he produces a Certificate under two of the Councills hands, as Entered after this Consultation, It appears to us he has been bredd a Souldier in the French Service, but came out as a Midshipman upon the Mountegue to China, recommended to that Employ by some of ye Manager[s] in England so that on the arrivall of the aforesaid Ship att Bombay they wanting an officer for that Post aforemention'd he was Entertaind by the Generall and Council, and discharged by his Commander, and from the good Character, that is given from all that are acquainted with him, and the experience he has in military affairs, as likewise the want we have of good officers, Tis agreed by the Majority that he be Entertaind as first Ensign in this Garrison, and his Pay to Commence from the first of next month, and accordingly the Secretary to draw out his Comission.

There wanting more sorters to Dispatch business in the Warehouse, and M^r^. Jennings having been formerly there some years, agreed that he be one of the Sorters of the Companys Callicoes.

Robt: Raworth.	Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Frederick.	Will: Fraser.
Rich^d^: Hunt.	M: Empson.
	W: Martin.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 19th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President.

William Fraser.	Matthew Empson.
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Richard Hunt.

The Inhabitants payes into the R^t^ Honble United Companys Cash Four hundred ninety two Pagodas one fanam in part of the last Assestment towards building the black Town Wall and works.

Ponagetto Narso &c^a^ Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers payes into the R^t^ Honble United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams on that Acco^t^.

Mr Richard Hunt Rentall G[enerall] reads his Storekeeper's Account for the month of November last.

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Mr Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Accounts for the month of November last.

Mr William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of November last.

The following Generall Letters received were now read Viz^t^.

ffrom Mr William Proby &c^a^ at Surat dated 2^d^ October, and with it received a Packet for the Honble. Mannagers.

ffrom the Deputy Govern^r^. &c^a^ at Fort S^t^. David dat^d^. 10th Decem^r^.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagodas on Acco^t^. Goods Sold.

There wanting a conveniency for the killing of Hoggs &c^a^ Provissions, good part of which are salted up yearly for the service of the Garrison, Tis agreed that the Paymaster builds the same upon the Island according to the Direction of the Governour.

Of the four Souldiers the Company sent out upon the Tankervill there came one Thomas Foster who had been bred in England a working Goldsmith which induced some Gentlemen to employ him in making some buckells &c^a^ for the[m to] which end they Gave him some Dollars, but from time to time he delaying to bring what they had ordered him to make, made them suspicious that he was an idle fellow upon which they demanded their money, when he return'd three Dollars to M^r^. Mollineux and four to M^r^. Coppin, [and] which was discovered to be false by giving them to [other] Goldsmiths to work up, [upon] which complaint was m[ade to the Governour] who immediatly apprehended ye aforesaid Foster, who uppon examination he confest that he had payd the aforesaid Dollars to the two Gentlemen before mentioned, but say'd he bought them of the Armourer on board the Tankervill for six pence, his Lodgings and Chest was surched but no tools to be found, but he has been heard to say since his arrivall here that he could coine his own money, and we are apt to believe he made these Dollars, so 'tis agreed he continues close Prisoner whither the Governour sent him (when he first detected him) till the arrivall of the Tankervill from Bengall, and then to examine farther into this matter.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Acc^t^. for the month of November last Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	P.	1264 :	11 :	—
Charges Dyett and allowances		275 :	27 :	—
Stores		107 :	12 :	—
Charges Cattle		34 :	30 :	—
Account Presents		221 :	12 :	—
Charges Generall		304 :	4 :	—
Fortifications and repairs		54 :	11 :	—
	Pag^s^.	2261 :	35 :	—

as allso his Account of the Black Town Wall & works for said time.

Agreed that Five Hundred Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster towards carrying on the Black Town Wall and works.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^D^. HUNT.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1706*——

Tuesday 24th At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President.
William Fraser. Matthew Empson.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

The Governour acquaints the Council that he has apprehended a Moorman with fifty false Fanams, who pretends that he received them from a Mooreman at S^{t}. Thoma for Goods sold him, for wch. he had committed him to Prison, and searched his House, where was found thirteen fanams more, but no tools for coinage, y^{e}. Moormans Wife, and servant averring that the[y] received them as aforesaid from S^{t}. Thoma of one [*Lacuna*] upon w^{ch}. 'tis agreed to send the Mulla and Braminy to the Governour of that Place desiring to apprehend the Person, beleiving him to be the coiner thereof.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 20th December now read, wherein they advise us the Death of M^{r}. Ralph Ingram Warehousekeeper, agreed that M^{r}. John Bridges officiates for the present as Warehousekeeper, and that M^{r}. Philip Baker, who was one of the New Comp^{s}. Servants at Metchlepatam be sent thither as youngest of [y^{m}].

Agreed the Ballance of M^{r}. Thomas Faucett^{s}. Acco^{t}. be [pay'd to] Narrain.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
Tho: Frederick. M. Empson.
Rich^{d}. Hunt. W. Martin.
Robt. Raworth.

27 Received ℘ Pattamars Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of Anjengo, dated 4th Instant advising of a Pyrate in those Seas, who had taken 7 or 8 Prizes.

29 Received ℘ Pattamars the following Generall Letters from M^{r}. [Noden] at Metchlepatam. Viz^{t}.

One Dated 3^{d}: December.
One Dated 10 Ditto.
One Dated 18 Ditto.
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